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The Independent

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With Thirty-Five years
of public service to its
credit THE INDEPENDENT
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good-will of its host of
patrons and friends.

VOLUME THIRTY-SIX.

THURSDAY, AUGUST 4, 1910.

WHOLE NUMBER, 1829

A FIRST-CLASS ADVERTISING MEDIUM IN THE MIDDLE SECTION OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY.

Paragraphs of Local and General Interest.

- Much
- More moisture
- Is needed now to insure an average crop of corn.
- New moon to-morrow evening.
- The population of the Perkiomen valley is again largely, though temporarily, increased.
- A number of extra passenger coaches are required on the Perkiomen railroad Saturday evenings and Sundays
- To accommodate visitors from Philadelphia to the valley.
- Moving pictures shown every evening at 8 o'clock at Glenwood Hall. Two hours' show for a dime.
- The addition to the railroad siding is completed.
- The one hundredth anniversary of the Bechtel family will be held in a grove near Bechtelsville, August 20.
- See adv. of Weitzenkorn's shoe store, page 8.
- The sessions of the Summer Assembly at Ursinus are attracting large gatherings.
- Mrs. Ephraim Moser, of Clayton, Berks county, has raised a potato 10 inches long and weighing 1 3-4 pounds.
- Vaudeville and moving picture shows every night at the airdome. Admission, 10 cents.
- Our idea of a fanatic is a man who will fight for his religion even when he hasn't any.—Dallas News.
- Heavy shipments of Swedish iron ore are being made to the Warwick Iron Company's furnaces at Pottstown and to other Schuylkill Valley plants.
- Easy money is the kind that bears hardest on man's moral makeup.—Florida Times-Union.
- An aged resident of Doylestown visited the Court House in that town for the first time in his life, and was surprised that it was so attractive.
- Life is a campaign, not a battle, and has its defeats as well as its victories.—Donn Platt.
- A gas rate war is on in Ambler and other boroughs along the North Penn Railroad. A second company has entered the territory and cut the prices.
- "Do you think, doctor, that science will ever be able to revive the dead?" "Not any of my patients!"—Houston Post.
- Hundreds of colored folks from Norristown, Phoenixville, Bridgeport and Conshohocken picnicked at Ringing Rocks Park, near Pottstown, on Thursday.
- While looking through the old Reifsnnyder homestead, a Pottstown landmark alleged to be older than the Reading Railway depot there, Thomas R. Shaner found a copy of The Pottstown Times dated November 27, 1822.

Price of Milk for August.

The executive committee of the Philadelphia Milk Shippers' Union has fixed the wholesale price of milk for August at 4 1-2 cents per quart.

Porch Parties.

On Saturday afternoon Mrs. Ella Hobson delightfully entertained a number of guests at her home in honor of Mrs. Knerr, of Cape May. Mrs. Frank Gristock was the hostess at a very enjoyable porch party at her home on Saturday evening. The party was in honor of her sister of Hartford, Conn. The evening was spent in playing cards. Mrs. George Clamer was the fortunate one, winning the prize.

Staggers Skeptics.

That a clean, nice, fragrant compound like Bucklen's Arnica Salve will instantly relieve a bad burn, cut, scald, wound or piles, staggers skeptics. But great cures prove it is a wonderful healer of the worst sores, ulcers, boils, felons, eczema, skin eruptions, as also chapped hands, sprains and corns. Try it. 25c. at Joseph W. Culbert's drug store, Collegeville, and M. T. Hunsicker's store, Ironbridge.

PERSONAL.

Oliver Grimley, a student at Williamson Trade School, is spending the August vacation with his parents.

Ralph Walt, of West Chester, was home over Sunday.

Mrs. Johnson, of Mont Clare, is visiting Mrs. Hieser.

Mr. and Mrs. Mayberry, Mr. and Mrs. Beyers, and Miss Lizzie Hunsberger, of Skippack spent Sunday with Mrs. William Prizer.

Mrs. A. M. Knerr, of Cape May, spent the week end with Mrs. Ella Hobson.

Mr. Roy Ritter, of Allentown, is the guest of Mr. Frischman.

Miss Carrie Paist, of Philadelphia, and Miss Ethel Ball, of Wilmington, are the guests of the Misses Hobson.

Miss Margaret Bordner, of Philadelphia, spent Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Rebecca Bean is spending some time in Bridgeton, New Jersey as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Matlock.

Mr. James Miller, of New Tripoli, and Dr. Dannith, of Philadelphia, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Miller over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allebach and Mrs. Sendlinger, of Norristown, were the guests of Misses Kratz last week.

Miss Eva Thompson, who has been teaching in New York State last winter is home on her vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Yeiser, of Columbia, Ohio, Mr. and Mrs. Fry and Miss Emma Snyder, of Norristown, were the week end guests of Mrs. Lachman.

Mrs. Charles Spare, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is visiting Mrs. Preston.

Mrs. Godshall and daughter Carrie spent Saturday in Wildwood.

Messrs. Black and Seasoltz, of Philadelphia, were the guests of Ernest Miller over Saturday and Sunday.

Miss Henrietta Walton, of Blue Bell, is spending the week with Miss Margaret Moser. Mr. Herbert Walton, of Philadelphia, and Harry Walton, of Blue Bell were the Sunday guests of Miss Moser.

Charles Heinly, of York, is visiting relatives about town.

Rev. Schantz, of Chambersburg, spent Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Calvin Noaker.

Arrow A. C. Will Play Here.

The Collegeville baseball team will play the strong Arrow A. C. of Pottstown on the home grounds next Saturday. A good crowd should be on hand to encourage the local team.

Straw Ride.

The Misses Hobson entertained a number of young folks on a straw ride on Friday evening. They journeyed to the Weldon House. Refreshments were served at the Hobson home when the young folks returned from the ride.

The Airdome Reopened.

The Collegeville airdome has been reopened under the management of the owner, Henry Yost Jr., and nightly performances consisting of moving pictures, vaudeville, and good music are given. Admission, 10 cents.

A Fine Horse.

Fitzhugh Lee, the well-bred Percheron stallion owned by Ellis Butt, proprietor of Black Rock hotel, is the best formed draught horse the writer has ever seen in Montgomery county. It will be well worth while for farmers to look him over.

The Best Hour of Life

is when you do some great deed or discover some wonderful fact. This hour came to J. R. Pitt, of Rocky Mount, N. C., when he was suffering intensely, as he says "from the worst cold I ever had, I then proved to my great satisfaction, what a wonderful Cold and Cough cure Dr. King's New Discovery is. For, after taking one bottle, I was entirely cured. You can't say any thing too good of a medicine like that." It is the surest and best remedy for diseased lungs, hemorrhages, la grippe, asthma, hay fever—any throat or lung trouble. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville, Pa., and by M. T. Hunsicker, Ironbridge.

Why Not Open Chestnut Street?

The application of an Electric Lighting Company for a borough franchise has caused considerable discussion as to the probable location of the high tension wires of the Company, should the franchise be granted, and reference has been made to the feasibility and importance of opening Chestnut street from Third avenue to Eighth avenue. By opening this street, paralleling Main street, the frequent congestion of trolley car, automobile, and other vehicle travel could be avoided, and ample room would thus be afforded for additional poles. Of course, the poles would not enhance the appearance of the borough, but until there is sufficient material advancement in this quarter to require the placing of trolley, telephone, telegraph, and other wires underground, the multiplication of poles will have to be submitted to. There is much warranted opposition to the erection of additional electric wires, or poles, on Main street. The now existing element of danger on account of the large number of wires crossing and recrossing each other, is such as to strongly forbid the placing of another electric wire on Main street. If the needs of the borough require the introduction of electricity for lighting and other purposes, it would clearly seem to be the duty of the borough authorities to make adequate provisions for the same, and to exact from the Electric Lighting Company the acceptance of an ordinance that will safeguard the personal and property interests of all the citizens of the borough. It is practically certain that the opening of Chestnut street, in addition to affording room for electric and telephone or other wires, would invite and encourage an increase of building operations. There are but few sites remaining for sale on Main street. The opening of Chestnut street would largely increase the number of attractive building lots and specially attract the attention of homebuilders. In lieu of these and other considerations would it not be well for Council to call a meeting in due time of citizens and property owners for the purpose of discussing the proposed ordinance and the proposition to open Chestnut street? The interests of all the people of the borough are, or should be, mutual. If such interests are not so recognized this town will make but little substantial progress. If Council should decide to call a meeting as suggested, it will be the duty of those owning the land that will be required for the new street to be present and say openly just what they will be willing to do to encourage the opening of Chestnut street. In the meantime those who are opposed to the placing of additional high tension electric wires on Main street should be active, reasonable, and firm in their opposition. For even though Chestnut street be not opened, the Electric Lighting Company will no doubt be able to procure a right of way for their poles at a reasonable cost from the owners of the land that will some day be utilized for street purposes.

Reunion of Harley Family.

The annual reunion of the Harley Family Association will be held on Saturday, August 27, at Ursinus College, this place. An unusually interesting program has been arranged, including an address by Hon. Irving P. Wanger, reminiscences of the early Harleys, and a sketch of Peter Becker, father of Mary Becker, who married Rudolf Harley.

STATE OF OHIO, CITY OF TOLEDO, } ss.
LUCAS COUNTY,
Frank J. Cheney makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the city of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay the sum of ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of Hall's Catarrh Cure.
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Grangers' Picnic.

The annual picnic of Keystone Grange, No. 2, of Trappe, was held in the County Home grove last Saturday. The rain during the early part of the forenoon and the heat and more or less threatening weather at noontime no doubt prevented many from attending. However, there were about 500 people present to enjoy the social, musical, literary features and other attractions of the afternoon gathering in the woods. The musical and literary exercises included vocal music by members of Keystone Grange, Mrs. E. A. Nelson presiding at the organ; vocal solos by Miss Reed, accompanied by Miss Yeager at the organ and Mrs. Yeager, violinist; recitations by Mrs. Stella Bechtel, and Miss Edith Harley; also two recitations by Miss Miller of the Millersville Normal School, and Reading by Miss Amie Ashenfelder. In introducing the speaker of the afternoon, Dr. Lyons of Chester county, and one of the Lady Officers of the State Grange, E. A. Nelson, Master of Keystone Grange, and an excellent presiding officer, referred to the pains that had been taken to procure speakers and of resulting disappointments. Dr. Lyons, who claims to be more of a home-maker than a public speaker, talked intelligently and entertainingly of the good social and intellectual work the Grange was doing; of the influence of organization and the educational value of Grange meetings; of the importance of thoughtful effort, and the true dignity of all forms of legitimate labor. She gave Local Option a lift, but was rather non-committal on the subject of woman suffrage. The speaker made no reference to either Teddy or his big stick, notwithstanding the reminder afforded by the presence of our old friend John G. Fetterolf, carrying a club of considerable size. The various sports of the afternoon—the wheelbarrow race, the sack race, the egg and spoon race, and the potato race—were witnessed with much interest. Ed. Kern and Harry Harley won first prize in the wheelbarrow race, each receiving 25 lbs. of flour. The second prize winners, Clifford Nelson and Frank Smoll, each carried off a cake. The prize winners in the sack race were Clifford Nelson, Frank Smoll, and Earl Nelson. First prize, box of cigars to first named; half-peck peanuts to second; big watermelon to third. Edna Famous won first prize, a doll, in the egg and spoon race; Frances Harley, second prize, doll coach; and Sarah Hallman, third prize, a box of candy. The first prize (a pair of chickens) in the potato race was awarded to Norman Snyder; the second prize (a pair of guinea pigs) to Leland Bechtel, and the third prize (bat and ball) to Russell Linderman. The Judges were Hon. John H. Bartman, Joseph Bean and John Weikel; starter, O. D. Bechtel.

Jacob Sterner Receives Contract.

Jacob Sterner has received the contract from the School Board for the construction of cement steps and the placing of concrete walks at the school building and on the school grounds, this borough.

Cow Struck and Hurlled From Bridge by Locomotive.

Wednesday night, last week, the engine of a northbound freight train on the Perkiomen railroad struck a cow, dragged the animal a short distance and hurled the body twenty feet from the bridge at Arcola. The cow and a calf, of a number of cows being delivered the day previous by employees of Ivins Walker, of Norristown, escaped from the drivers and during the night wandered upon the railway tracks near the bridge. The calf was also struck by the engine but not fatally injured.

Life on Panama Canal

has had one frightful drawback—malaria trouble—that has brought suffering and death to thousands. The germs cause chills, fever and ague, biliousness, jaundice, lassitude, weakness and general debility. But Electric Bitters never fail to destroy them and cure malaria troubles. "Three bottles completely cured me of a very severe attack of malaria," writes Wm. A. Fretwell, of Lucama, N. C., "and I've had good health ever since." Cures stomach, liver and kidney troubles, and prevents typhoid. 50c. Guaranteed by Joseph W. Culbert, druggist, Collegeville, and M. T. Hunsicker, Ironbridge.

The Summer Assembly.

The Summer Assembly opened at Ursinus College, Friday evening, with a large number of Christian workers present. The meeting was in charge of Harry E. Paisley, treasurer of the Philadelphia and Reading Railway and vice president of the State Sabbath School Association. The opening sermon was delivered by Rev. Dr. W. J. Dawson.

On Saturday the full work of the Assembly started. Bible study under Prof. George Handy Wallis, of Ursinus College, is held daily at 9.30. At 10.30 Rev. Dawson was again heard. The sunset service at 6.30 was in charge of Rev. Alvin Orr, of Philadelphia. This service is very attractive being held on the west campus of the college grounds. In the evening service at 7.45 Rev. Dawson gave his third address on the subject of Savonarola, which was full of very interesting matter.

The exercises Sunday, a full day for the Assembly, was started with a prayer service at 7 o'clock which was followed by Sunday School at 9 and church at 10.30. The services were in charge of Rev. F. M. Fernom, of Roxborough. At 3.30 Rev. Wm. C. Schaeffer, of Lancaster, spoke. The sunset service was in charge of Rev. Luther DeYoe, of Germantown. Mr. DeYoe's address was very helpful. He dwelt forcibly upon the thought that it should not be a question as to what a man believed or whether he had no creed as long as he was making a true manly and sincere struggle to overcome the sin and crime about him. Rev. DeYoe said that on this the churches would in time have to unite and forget their individual creeds. This service was followed by the evening service at which the Assembly had the honor of hearing General Ballington Booth. General Booth is the founder of the Salvation Army movement. He gave a most interesting and helpful account of his work in this field and many of his experiences in his work in prisons.

The exercises on Monday morning were in charge of Rev. Waddell, of Norristown. In the afternoon at 4 o'clock Rev. Wellington Wood, of Philadelphia, had an hour for personal workers. Mr. Wood also had charge of the sunset service. At the next service at 7.45 Rev. John A. Hutton, of Glasgow, gave his first of four lectures.

Rev. John A. Hutton spoke again on Tuesday, both in the morning and evening. The sunset service was in charge of Rev. J. W. Meminger, of Lancaster.

Rev. Putton gave the fourth and last of his series of lectures on Wednesday morning.

Meat Cleaver's Cut Almost Proves Fatal.

By the falling of a large meat-cleaver from a shelf at the home of Edward Felton, in Washington Square, Mr. Felton's daughter Lillian who was standing beneath it, was so seriously cut when the sharp instrument fell on her arm and severed an artery, that she nearly died from loss of blood before the arrival of a physician. Six physicians were telephoned for before one could be located. In the meantime, Mrs. Giliam, a visitor, bound the girl's arm tightly above the wound, pressing the artery from which the blood was spurting in a steady stream. When Dr. Seiple reached the house, he revived Miss Felton with difficulty.

Trotting on Pottstown Track.

A great exhibition of horse endurance will be given on Saturday, August 13th at the Pottstown Fair Grounds, when the champion long distance trotter, "Ed. Bryan" will go against the world's trotting record of 7.30 1-2, for three miles made by himself in 1907 at Belmont race track. On the same day two races will also be given, one for horses with records better than 2.30 and the other one for horses slower than this mark. The prizes will be a set of harness to the winning horse in each race, the second horse will receive a set of clothing, the third a blanket and the fourth a whip. No entrance fee will be charged to start and no records will be given the winning horses. The entries close on Wednesday, August 10th, with W. H. Shields, at the Shuler House, Pottstown, Pa.

Robbed by Two Italians.

George Henning, driver for the Humane Engine Company, Norristown, was held up and robbed by two Italians Thursday night while returning from this borough and relieved of seven dollars in money. Henning said that he left town early in the evening with a two-horse team to haul some scenery to the Airdome at Collegeville. He left here between 9 and 10 o'clock and had proceeded almost to the foot of the Providence Hill, when his horses suddenly stopped. He could not see anything in the road and got off his seat to make an investigation. He had no sooner stepped off the wagon than two men grabbed him and, after a tussle, threw him to the ground. While one of the men went through his pockets the other one sat on him and held him until his companion finished his work of rifling the pockets. Henning says that the robbers secured about seven dollars. After the men had robbed him they told him to get into the team and go about his business. Henning says that from their conversation, he is positive that the robbers were Italians. The police are looking for them.

Centenary of Lower Providence Baptist Church.

The Lower Providence Baptist church will observe the 100th anniversary of its organization, August 5th to 7th. The exercises will begin on Friday evening, August 5, Rev. R. M. Hunsicker preaching the sermon. At 2 p. m. Saturday there will be a service of reminiscence, in charge of Rev. Theo. Heysham. The history of the church will be read by Rev. S. O. Perry and addresses will be delivered by former pastors, Revs. W. H. H. Marsh, D. J. R. Stranger, Geo. Balentine, and possibly others. Supper will be served at the church, and the intermission between the afternoon and evening services will afford opportunity for renewal of old acquaintances and a pleasant social hour. At the evening service the sermon will be preached by former pastor, Rev. F. W. Randall. Sunday at 9.30 a. m. there will be special exercises in the Sunday school. At 10.30, preaching service, former pastor, Rev. W. M. Courson, preaching the sermon. At 7.45 p. m. there will be a union service, with addresses by pastors of neighboring churches. A most cordial invitation is extended to all who have been in any way connected with the church in former years, and to the public generally.

County Home Affairs.

The Directors of the Poor held their regular monthly meeting at the County Home last Thursday and transacted the usual routine business. Director J. H. McDowell, who has recovered from a rather serious illness, was at his post of duty Thursday for the first time since the May meeting of the Directors. Steward Leidy reported, among other details, the harvesting of 1500 bushels of wheat from 58 acres, 624 bushels of oats from 12 acres, and 134 loads of hay, from the farm.

Prison Garden.

Says the Norristown Times: Warden Gotwals takes great interest in the appearance of the garden in front of the county jail, and has made it one of the show places of the town. He has recently added to its floral attractions several fine specimens of banana palm.

Gigantic Plant.

Mrs. Samuel S. Kriebel, of near Kulpsville, has a gigantic elephant's ear plant, some of the dimensions of which follow: Length of largest leaf 40 1-2 inches; two other leaves 37 inches long; circumference of base of stem of one leaf, 7 inches; circumference of stem of the whole plant 15 inches. There are 9 leaves on the plant and 3 new ones are starting one of which Mrs. Kriebel says will beat all the others. The plant is beautiful and is but one year old. Mrs. Kriebel also has a beautiful begonia having 24 leaves, several of which measure over 14 inches in diameter.

THE INDEPENDENT

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IN ADVANCE.

Thursday, Aug. 4, 1910.

CHURCH SERVICES.

St. James' Church, Lower Providence, Rev. F. S. Ballentine, rector. Morning service and sermon 10.30. Sunday School, 9.15 a. m. Holy Communion, First Sunday in the month. All are cordially invited and welcome.

Trinity Reformed Church, Collegeville, Rev. F. C. Yost, D. D., pastor. Services next Sunday at 10 a. m. Sunday School at 9. Junior Christian Endeavor at 2 p. m., and Senior C. E. at 7 p. m.

Parish of St. Paul's Memorial, Audubon, Oaks, Perkiomen, the Rev. Geo. W. Barnes rector, Oaks P. O., Pa. Bell phone 5-36 T. Church services on Sundays: Audubon—Union Church, 10.45 a. m. Oaks—St. Paul's at 8 a. m.; Sunday School at 2.15 p. m. Choral Evensong, 3.30—7.45 p. m. (alternately). Vested Choir at Oaks. Hearty welcome at all services.

Evansburg M. E. Church.—Sunday School at 9.45 a. m. Preaching at 11 a. m. and 7.30 p. m.

St. Luke's Reformed Church, Trappe, Rev. S. L. Messinger, D. D., pastor. Sunday School at 8.45 a. m. Preaching at 10 a. m. and 7.45 p. m. Junior Endeavor prayer meeting at 2 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E. prayer meeting at 6.45 p. m. Bible study meeting on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. All are most cordially invited to attend the services.

Passenger trains leave Collegeville for Philadelphia: 7.08, 7.46, 11.27 a. m., 6.06 p. m. Sundays—7.13 a. m., 6.32 p. m. For Allentown: 7.45, 11.02 a. m., 2.57, 6.06 p. m. Sundays—9.02 a. m., 7.39 p. m.

Married.

On Tuesday William James Ferguson and Mary Elizabeth Shambough, both of Limerick, were united in the bonds of matrimony by Esquire F. W. Shalkop, of Trappe.

Suit on a Contract.

Suit has been entered in the Prothonotary's office by Attorneys Wanger and Knipe, representing Alonzo P. King, of Norristown, against the Philadelphia Jewish Sanatorium for Consumptives. The suit has been brought to recover \$721.63, said to be due the local contractor for excavation work at the defendant's farm in Lower Providence township.

Samuel Stiver Passed Over.

Samuel Stiver, aged 80 years, 4 months and 22 days, died suddenly of heart failure Tuesday at the residence of Jacob S. Koch, No. 321 West Green street, Reading, with whom he boarded for 40 years. Deceased had a wide acquaintance over this county; he traveled about on foot to save care-fare and had numerous financial investments to look after. John and George Stiver of Norristown are nephews.

Dr. Royer's Will.

By the will of Dr. J. Warren Royer, who died at Trappe last week, aged 90 years, he bequeaths his entire estate to his widow, Anna H. Royer, who is also made executrix. The will was executed January 24, 1902. In a codicil, dated July 24, 1907, the doctor suggests that in case of trouble in the settlement of the estate, which he does not, however, anticipate, his wife shall call to her assistance William A. Flanagan, of Woodbury, N. J.

Girl Saves Another's Life.

On Friday afternoon Emma Godshall with other young folks went in swimming at the island near Glen Farm, and swam out from the others and was suddenly seized with cramps. She was saved from drowning by the quick thinking of Marion Brainerd, of Hartford, Conn., who is visiting her aunt Mrs. Frank Gristock. When Miss Brainerd saw the plight Emma was in she quickly grabbed a water wing and swam out to her playmate, slipping the wings under her arms, and was then able to bring her to the shore in safety. Marion Brainerd is about 13 years old and the rescue showed remarkable courage and quick foresight.

Farmers' Institutes.

Over 450 days of farmers' institutes, more than ever provided before, have been arranged for the season of 1910-1911, by A. L. Martin, director of farmers' institutes of the State Department of Agriculture. Last season about 420 days were provided, and the attendance at the sessions exceeded all records. The arrangements for the coming season contemplate the appearance on the platform of a number of the best known lecturers in the State. The course will cover a wide variety of dairy topics. The place and dates of institutes for this county are:— February 22-23 Sanatoga; February 25-26, King-of-Prussia; February 27-28, Centre Point; March 1-2, Harleysville; March 3-4 East Greenville.

Auto Licenses Issued.

Before the end of July the State Highway Department issued automobile license No. 29,000. This brought the total within 5,000 of the total of all licenses, including chauffeurs, issued last year. Over 12,000 drivers have received badges.

Robbery at Lansdale.

Breaking into the ticket wagon and then into the strong box of the Great Andrews Show at Lansdale, Thursday afternoon, a follower of the show got away with between \$3-200 and \$3,500, it is reported. The alleged thief was captured at New Brunswick, N. J., on Saturday.

Accidentally Shot.

Harvey Barndt, aged 60 years, was accidentally shot in the abdomen Saturday evening while attending to a shooting gallery at Funk's Park near Lansdale. A physician searched for the ball, but could not find it. The shot was fired by a small boy. Mr. Barndt has worked at the park for many years.

A Million Young Trees Planted.

More than a million young trees have been planted by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company during the past three months to provide for some of the future requirements for timber and cross ties. The work was started during April and much of the company's land areas between Jersey City and Altoona has been planted with young trees that will within the next 30 years be ready for use.

Pastorate Call Accepted.

The congregation of Zion's Lutheran church, Royersford, has extended a unanimous call to the Rev. C. F. Dapp, of Sumnerstown, which he has accepted. The new preacher will occupy the pulpit at Zion's as pastor of the church for the first time on Sunday, September 4, when he will preach his initial sermon. Mr. Dapp is an instructor in Greek, at the University of Pennsylvania. He will continue his work at the University.

Cows Killed in a Peculiar Accident.

Three valuable cows belonging to C. M. Slear, a farmer living on the famous Blue Hill, opposite Northumberland, were killed in a most peculiar accident on Tuesday of last week. The cows were grazing on the hill and wandering near the brink of the precipice, slipping and starting to roll down its steep side to the railroad tracks below. Two were killed when they reached the bottom and the other was so badly injured that it was necessary to kill it to relieve its suffering.

Millions of Stamps will be Used.

Approximately ten billion postage stamps will be used by the people of this country during the next fiscal year, according to the estimate of the Postmaster General. The figures, which show an increase all along the line, follow: One cent, 4,024,000,000; 2-cent, 5,322,200,000; 3-cent, 66,700,000; 4-cent, 94,800,000; 5-cent, 117,500,000; 8-cent, 34,800,000; 10-cent, 80,900,000; 13-cent, 4,800,000; 15-cent, 12,900,000; 50-cent, 700,000; \$1, 100,000. Special delivery, 15,000,000. Postage due—1-cent, 11,300,000; 2-cent, 80,900,000; 3-cent, 700,000; 5-cent, 1900; 10-cent, 5,700,000; 3-cent, 10,000; 50-cent, 10,000. Books—containing 24 1-cent, 7,000,000; 12-cent, 14,000,000; 24 2-cent, 4,100,000; 48 2-cent, 1,400,000.

The Body of Senator Thomson's Wife Found in Mingo Mill Race.

Fishermen on their way home Saturday night found the body of Mrs. Minnie M. Thomson, wife of State Senator Oscar E. Thomson, of Phoenixville, lying in the shallow water of the race at the Mingo mill, about one mile south of Royersford on the Montgomery county side of the Schuylkill river. Senator Thomson owns a farm near the scene of the drowning, and it is supposed that his wife, who had been suffering from nervous prostration and melancholia for some months, fell into the water while trying to reach the farmhouse. She had been under the care of a trained nurse until recently, when her health showed signs of improvement, and arrangements were made for her to go to the seashore for the balance of the summer to recuperate. On Wednesday she disappeared, and diligent search of the locality failed to reveal trace of her. The water where her body was found was only nine inches deep. It is supposed that the corpse lay there three days. Mrs. Thomson was 45 years old, and is survived by her husband and one daughter, Miss Freda Thomson. Senator Thomson represents the Chester county district in the upper branch of the legislature and is widely known as a bridge engineer.

Never Too Old to Marry.

With bride and bridegroom both approaching the 70 year mark, Souderton gained the prestige recently of developing the oldest couple with matrimonial inclination in the history of that section. The bridegroom was Oliver Moyer, a wealthy retired farmer, aged nearly 70. The bride was Mrs. Mary Benner, well known in the suburban section and but a year or two younger than her husband. Their courtship was not extended over a period of years, and the ceremony which united them was performed by the Rev. John Minninger. This is the bride's third visitation to the altar in the capacity of a bride, and it is Moyer's second venture matrimonially. The happy couple will reside in Souderton when they return from their wedding trip.

Rose Leaves Injured by Insects.

A man at Brodbeck's, Pa., wrote to Professor Surface that his wife has a fine assortment of rose bushes, but the foliage is being damaged by insects, samples of which he enclosed in his letter. The Professor gave him the following information by return mail: "The insect injuring your rose leaves is the rose-leaf sawfly. The pest is one of the easiest to destroy. It can be killed by the arsenical poisons, the same as used for the Codling moth larvae or potato beetles, when applied as a spray, and also when applied as dust. One good remedy is to mix one part of Paris green in 50 parts of air-slaked lime and dust slightly over the leaves. The insects can also be killed by a contact insecticide. A strong soap solution, or kerosene emulsion, will destroy them. Fresh slaked lime well dusted upon the plants and brushed off within a half hour will kill them, as their bodies are moist and slimy, and the flesh caustic lime sticks to them and eats its way into them. A good remedy is one part of Paris green with 50 parts of flour dusted on the leaves when they are damp with dew. Only a very little of such dust is necessary to destroy each pest. They can also be killed by fresh hellebore, pyrethrum, and other powders. Thus you can see that they are susceptible to nearly the entire list of modern insecticides."

CORRESPONDENCE :

LIMERICK.

Harvey Peterman has sold his farm of fifty five acres to James Hires, of Lancaster.

Wm. E. Kline is spending some time with his uncle, Thos. D. Kline.

Mrs. Weaver and her daughter Nellie have returned to their home in Philadelphia.

Miss Anna Miller, of Philadelphia, is visiting Miss Anna Taylor.

Everybody should try to attend the big joint picnic on Saturday, August 6, in the big woods near Schwenksville.

The L. A. C. had no game last Saturday as the Giants of Pottstown cancelled the game on account of sickness.

Mrs. Sallie Poley is away visiting.

Miss Stauffer, of Lehigh, is spending some time with the family of Wilson Stauffer Jr.

J. P. Rosenberg is painting the house of Wm. Jaeger.

Mrs. Sarah Hartzell has returned home.

The Supervisors held their monthly meeting at Limerick Centre hotel, Monday afternoon.

SCHWENKSVILLE.

The Town Council met on Monday evening.

Autos exceed speed limit in passing through this town.

A party from Royersford are camping on Meyer's meadow and a number of Reading firemen are camping on Swinehart's island.

Joint picnic in Wm. Bromer's woods on Saturday. Music by the Schwenksville band.

No services in the Lutheran church next Sunday. Sunday school at 9 a. m.

Wilmer Bauman has purchased a fine young horse, a new buggy and harness of H. R. Vanderslice, of Collegeville.

Eden Badman spent Sunday in Skippack.

Ernest Johnson, of the Williamson Trade School, is home on his vacation.

A picked nine of Schwenksville boys played ball with the Reading firemen and won by a score of 4 to 2.

Mr. Logan, of Toronto, Canada, is visiting Mr. and Mr. Jacob Bromer.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Behle and family spent Friday, Saturday, and Monday in Pottstown and Sunday in Reading.

Mr. Frank Kehs is afflicted with blood poison and Mrs. Kehs broke a ligament in her left leg caused by falling down a flight of steps.

TRAPPE.

Miss Elsie Detwiler has returned from a week's stay in Atlantic City.

Miss Edna Smith spent Sunday with Mrs. Ambrosia Conway in Wilmington, Delaware.

Mrs. Christman and daughter Bessie spent several days in Wyomissing.

Rev. and Mrs. S. M. Hensch, of Cavetown, Maryland are visiting Mrs. J. K. Bever.

There were 225 persons who enjoyed the picnic of St. Luke's Sunday school at White City on Thursday.

Miss Tillie Sauer, Misses Pauline and Ruth Stillwagon, Mr. and Mrs. Gus Prisdanz, and Mr. and Mrs. Carl Berger and son, of Philadelphia and Mr. Horace Thomas, of Royersford, were the Sunday guests of Mrs. Matthieu.

Rev. and Mrs. Helffrich, of Bath, are spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Shuler.

Daniel Shuler has started his contract of building a house in Limerick for Jacob Weidenbaugh.

Miss Lela Bushong is visiting her aunt in Reading.

Mrs. Andrew Brachhold, of Titonia, Florida, and Henry Brachhold, of Philadelphia, spent Monday in Trappe. Mrs. Brachhold has made arrangements to have their household goods sent to Florida.

The annual service will be held in the old Lutheran church building August 7. Rev. W. O. Fegley will preach in the morning and Dr. Fry, of Mt. Airy will speak in the afternoon.

Mr. Wilson Brunner and Mr. Smith both had the misfortune to have a horse die.

On Saturday morning Mrs. Anna Willard had the misfortune to almost cut off the end of her thumb as she was sharpening a hatchet. Dr. Anders treated the wound.

Miss Elizabeth Austerberry entertained a number of young folks on Friday evening with a marshmallow roast.

A number of residents of this borough are attending the Collegeville Summer Assembly.

H. V. Keyser is sole agent for the magic plaster board. It is cheaper, cleaner, and more durable than lime plaster placed in the old way.

Trappe circuit U. E. church announcement: Preaching at Ziegler'sville, Saturday evening at 8; Sunday at 10 a. m. and 7 p. m. Conference business meeting at 7, Saturday evening. Presiding Elder J. H. Shirey will deliver the sermon Sunday morning.

The annual picnic of the Lutheran Sunday school will be held at White City on Saturday, August 13. Special trolley cars will leave at 8, 8.30, and 9 o'clock. Fare for round trip, 35 cents; all scholars free; all children under 10 years, whether members of the school or not, free.

Geo. H. Emery, who was reared in this vicinity, died at his home in Cape May, aged about 56 years. His wife survives. Services were held and interment made at St. Luke's church and cemetery, this borough, on Tuesday; undertaker J. L. Bechtel in charge.

GRATERFORD.

Perkiomen township has two duly commissioned Justices-of-the-Peace but unless things quiet down a little in our "burg" we may need a police court and an instalment of the State constabulary.

The ball game on Tuesday between Ivy club and the Perkiomen Terrace team resulted in the score of 2 to 1 in favor of the latter team and was one of best ball contests ever seen here. The same teams will play on Friday at 2.30. Every body invited.

The Kulpville Alumni held their picnic here last Friday and all were pleased with the Perkiomen.

Sunday next August 7, at 9.30 a. m., mass will be said at a Catholic mission instituted in Dunn's hall. This will be a great convenience to the summer colony of that faith. Success to the mission.

Wm. Trestle and granddaughter and Adam Long, of Philadelphia, are spending their vacation with N. S. Long. Nick is boss carpenter of a big job at Catasauqua.

Samuel Poley harvested the champion crop of oats.

Oscar Miller dropped a \$5 gold piece out of his bank book when he handed it to C. A. Wismer last Friday. It was found by a young lady who promised to return it and receive a reward of one dollar, but has thus far forgot to keep her promise and has returned home.

Of course some summer boarders do things that try the temper of citizens, but they also bring a lot of business to Graterford. Apples have value but arresting girls for picking and eating a few is treating "strangers within our gates" rather too severely.

EVANSBURG.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Gordon and family of Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Gordon and Mr. and Mrs. McIntyre of Philadelphia, and Miss McIntyre of New Jersey, spent Sunday with E. Gordon and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Thomas and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Abraham Thomas of Wayne, visited R. E. Thomas on Sunday.

The M. E. Sunday School will picnic at Ringing Rocks park on Saturday, August 20. Tickets 30 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Wanner and sons visited George Ruth, of Skippack, on Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. Raudenbush, of Reading, are visiting Jacob Truckess and family.

Florence Blumenthal, a guest at Harry Kreckstein's boarding house, cut her thigh severely last Friday morning. Dr. Weber attended the injury.

YERKES.

Next meeting of the Crescent Literary Society on Wednesday evening, August 10. The program will be interesting. All welcome.

Alvin Landes is very busy evening picking stones which he contemplates advertising for sale later.

Claud Crist and Ernest Zollers are at home from school until September 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Gottshall were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Crist Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Reiff and family visited Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Zollers, Sunday.

Miss Matilda Bails, of Philadelphia, visited in this vicinity last week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Dettman, of Wayne Junction, visited Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Detwiler last week.

Herbert Stierly is confined to his bed with typhoid fever.

A number of people of this vicinity attended the Grangers' picnic in the County Home grove last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Abram Gotwals, warden and matron of the Montgomery County Prison, gave a party on Saturday evening at the home of their son William, in this vicinity, in honor of their daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. Shoeman, of the State of Washington. The event also marked the birthday of Mr. Gotwals and his sister Mrs. Peter Colehower. The majority of those present had never met Dr. Shoeman and he was afforded an excellent opportunity to meet his new uncles and cousins. The evening was delightfully spent in speech-making, singing, conversing, and feasting. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Abram Gotwals, Misses Cora and Elice Gotwals, Mr. Jos. Gotwals, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Gotwals, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Evans, Jacob Dannehower, all of Norristown, Mr. Carl Gotwals, of New York, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Allebach, of Conshohocken, Mr. and Mrs. David Trickess, of Providence Square, Mr. and Mrs. Dannehower, of Ambler, Mr. and Mrs. Amos Gotwals and family and Mrs. LeRoy Parsons, of Phoenixville; Mr. and Mrs. William Gotwals and son, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Colehower, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Dannehower and daughter, Messrs. Vernon and Abram Gotwals, Misses Susie and Sadie Detwiler and Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Detwiler, all of Yerkes.

OAKS.

Everything comes to him who waits; that is, if he survive, for we old soldiers may be mustered out at any time. So possessing our souls in "patience through this season of humidity torridity, a good refreshing rain may come and refresh the parched surface of the earth.

The Keystone party have nominated candidates. The candidate of the Water Wagon party is so well pleased with the nomination of the Keystone party that he proposes to catch on to the sprinkler of the party. Anyone who has any desire to exercise his independence has an opportunity now, and no questions asked. Politics is politics in either party, good, bad and indifferent, and as Mayor Strouse of Alexandria said when defeated at his first try for Mayor and after he had parted with about fifteen hundred dollars for an office which paid five hundred dollars per year, "Dot politics is a tam fool." If you don't like Tener vote for Grim; if you don't like Grim, vote for Larkin; if you don't like Larkin, vote for Berry; if you don't like Berry, vote for the most popular man, Johnson, the colored champeen, but whatever you do, don't neglect to exercise your right of franchise, for on election day before you have voted you are the most independent man as

far as independence goes, and after you've voted you are the same old thing.

Ben Groome and family will go to Huntington Valley and spend a week with friends and relatives there.

The Oaks Fire Company will hold an ice cream and fruit festival in their hall this Saturday evening. Of course canteloupes and water-melons are fruit.

Oh! de ham bone hit am good,
De bacon hit am sweet,
De 'possum meat am berry berry fine,
But gib me, yest' gib me dat good ole
luscious fruit,
The watermelon a smilin' on de vine.

Farther along Leslie M. Shaw will lecture in the Fire Hall on Teddy's trip to Africa, and all through Hoboken.

The Metropolitan Life Insurance Company gave their employees and wives and children a free excursion to Atlantic City, Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Ben C. Davis and daughter and Mr. Charles S. Hallman went from this place.

Clyde Frieze, who was a clerk in John Francis' store, has given up his place and Morris Henry has taken the position.

George Austin, of Phoenixville, will be given a gold medal for long continued service in the National Guard when he goes to camp at Gettysburg on August 11. Junnie Austin, as they call him, has been a member of Griffin Battery, now Battery C, of Phoenixville, since 1871. He is a Park Guard at the Port Kennedy entrance to Valley Forge park.

Shannonville Castle, No. 211, of Audubon, held an installation of officers Monday evening one week ago. A team from Hancock Castle, K. G. E., of Norristown, did the installing. A banquet was given and thoroughly discussed and a good all around time was enjoyed, with a speech from the District Deputy, Wirman.

The employees of the flag factory were to picnic at Valley Forge park on Saturday, but they did not put in an appearance. Tables were reserved for them, but it is supposed the light dry-weather rainfall in the morning dampened their program.

The trolley to Valley Forge is a sure thing, that is from Phoenixville to the Forge, as it is reported the trolley to Spring City will be bought, and it is expected cars will be running to Valley Forge soon. Financial backers automobilized over the route and will be ready to start the improvement to a success.

The Ehret Magnesia Works are busy rebuilding, and it is understood will be ready for business ere the snow flies.

DENATURED ALCOHOL FROM CACTI.

If the great Southwest is ever reclaimed and made to produce vegetation that will be profitable, it must be done by developing the native plants instead of attempting to introduce new species and trying to acclimate them. With this idea in view, the United States Department of Agriculture has been directing the experiment stations and encouraging work upon the cacti.

For more than six years the experiment station at Las Cruces, New Mexico, has been experimenting with the prickly pear and other cacti. This species has been planted, and it was found that by throwing it upon the ground 85 per cent. of the pieces grew, while only 91 per cent. of the parts planted in a furrow grew. The rows were planted ten feet apart, and then left without cultivation, irrigation, or attention for three, four or five years. By this time the rows had spread until they were from six to eight feet wide, and only left a small path between them.

Then began a large series of experiments. The fruit of the cactus (tunas) was gathered. It is almost as large as an egg, of a dark red color, and filled with seeds. The coloring matter was first extracted, and found to make an excellent fruit coloring for jellies and confectionery. Then the sugars were examined and six kinds were found, and after long, tedious processes, each sugar was fermented and in time turned into alcohol. Then came careful weighing and mathematical calculations to determine the amount of denatured alcohol that could be produced from an acre, and the minimum of cost.

Final deductions gave most satisfactory results, and it was proven that \$150 worth of denatured alcohol could be produced per acre after an average growth of four years for the plants. At this rate a quarter section of now arid land could be made to yield a gross income of \$24,000, and this would be almost a perpetual yield, as the fruit is borne annually, and the plants need no replanting, cultivation, or irrigation, and grow upon the poorest soil in the arid regions.

PUBLIC SALE OF 50 HEAD OF

Young Cattle!



Will be sold at public sale on FRIDAY, AUGUST 5, 1910, at Weber's hotel, Limerick, Pa., 50 head of young cattle from York State, consisting of yearlings, 2-year-olds, heifers, steers and bulls. This is all very fine stock. Sale at 1 o'clock p. m. Conditions by J. O. B. GABEL, F. H. Peterman, Auctioneer, M. B. Linderman, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE OF

FRESH COWS!



Will be sold at public sale on THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 1910, at Beckman's hotel, Trappe, 28 fresh cows direct from Lebanon county. This lot of choice cows includes several very fine Holsteins, and all of the lot are big producers. Also 2 stock bulls—a Holstein and well-bred. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by J. O. B. GABEL, F. H. Peterman, Auctioneer, M. B. Linderman, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE OF

OHIO COWS!

LOT OF SHEATS!



Will be sold at public sale on THURSDAY, AUGUST 5, 1910, at Beckman's hotel, Trappe, one carload of extra heavy superior cows direct from Ohio. In weight, shape, breeding, and as big milk and butter producers, they are hard to beat. Also one carload of sheats weighing from 10 to 15 pounds. Gentlemen, this stock is well worth your special attention. Sale at 2 o'clock. Conditions by J. O. B. GABEL, F. H. Peterman, Auctioneer, M. B. Linderman, Clerk.

PUBLIC SALE OF

Household Goods!

LOT OF CHICKENS.

Will be sold at public sale on SATURDAY, AUGUST 7, 1910, at the residence of the undersigned, near Evansburg, the following goods: Bedroom suite, parlor suite, dining-room and kitchen furniture, cook stove, parlor stove, screens for windows and doors, lot of oil, and a lot of chickens. Also 70 CHICKENS, 21 WHITE RABBITS, rabbit pen, chicken coops, and other articles not here mentioned. Sale at 2 p. m. Conditions by PETER SPANG, F. H. Peterman, Auctioneer, M. B. Linderman, Clerk.

BREED to the Handsome Virginia Bred Percheron

Stallion

Fitzhugh Lee

DESCRIPTION: Fitzhugh Lee is a dark dapple grey stallion, standing 16 hands, 1 inch high, weighing 1500 pounds, sired by an imported Percheron Stallion and a native Virginia mare. This horse was bred and raised at Dayton, Rockingham county, Virginia, and is acknowledged by horsemen as having the best conformation, style and action of any stallion ever offered at public service in Chester and Montgomery counties. He is a horse of great intelligence and the best of disposition. His colts in Virginia, all show the stamp of the horse. He is a sure foal getter, having eighty-four mares safe in foal from the last season of 1909.

SEASON 1910: During season of 1910 this stallion will stand every WEEK-DAY at BLACK ROCK HOTEL, Upper Providence, near Montgomery County Home.

\$10 to insure a mare with foal. Persons parting with a mare before she is known to be in foal will be held for the service fee. ELLIS BUTT, Phenixville P. O.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS.

The schedule of taxes for the year 1910, for the Township of Upper Providence, has been placed in the hands of the undersigned collector. All persons who shall within sixty (60) days from July 1, 1910, make payment of any taxes charged against them in said duplicate, shall be entitled to a reduction of 5 per centum from the amount thereof; and all persons who shall fail to make payment of any taxes charged against them in said duplicate, shall be charged five per cent, additional on the taxes charged against them, which will be added thereto. Correspondence to receive attention must in all cases be accompanied by postage for reply. The collector will be at the following places to receive said tax:

At Spieck's Store, Mont Clare, August 25, from 1 to 5 p. m.

At Oaks, August 29, from 7 to 9 a. m.

At Port Providence, August 29, from 10 to 12 a. m.

At Detweiler's Blacksmith Shop, August 29, from 2 to 4 p. m.

At Black Rock, August 30, from 3 to 5 p. m.

At my home, August 31, all day.

D. W. FAYINGER, Collector.

NOTICE OF THE ORPHANS' COURT OF MONTGOMERY COUNTY, PA.

On July 5, 1910, was presented the petition of Eliza W. Hudson representing that she was the owner of a tract of 69 acres and 116 square perches of land, more or less, in Upper Providence township, and that John Roubush, a former owner of a tract of 129 acres, of which this was a part, in his will dated March 14, 1835, recorded at Norristown in Will Book No. 6, page 264, charged the said land with the payment of the income of \$1000.00 annually to his widow Salome during her life time, and the principal thereof to his six children immediately upon her death. A tract of 12 acres, a part of said 129 acres, was afterwards sold to Joshua Zimmerman and said owner fund apportioned, and in the deed (see Deed Book No. 88, page 238) \$98 was charged upon said 12 acres, the interest to be paid to Salome Roubush during her life, and the principal at her death to the heirs of John Roubush; said charges have not been satisfied of record but remain an encumbrance upon petitioner's land; that no payment of principal or interest has been made for more than twenty-one years, on account of said charges, by the present owner or so far as can be ascertained, by his predecessors in title, and the pre-emption of payment has arisen.

Thereupon the Court directed notice in accordance with the act of May 8, 1895, P. L. 44, and notice is hereby given to Mary Buckwalter, Elizabeth Schrack, Michael Roubush, Sarah Roubush, Samuel Roubush, and Anna Roubush, children and legatees of John Roubush, deceased, who were to receive said principal sum, and to all other parties interested therein, to appear in said Court on September 6, 1910, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause why a decree should not be made discharging said premises from the encumbrance of the said charges, as prayed for.

CHAUNCEY J. BUCKLEY, Sheriff, Freas Styer, Attorney for Petitioner, Sheriff's Office, Norristown, Pa., July 5, 1910.

FOR RENT.

Two 7-room houses on Fifth avenue, Collegeville. For particulars apply to DR. S. B. HORNING, 3-3, Collegeville, Pa.

FERTILIZERS FOR SALE!

I am selling the Keystone Bone Phosphate, one of the best fertilizers on the market. Users of this phosphate are well satisfied with results in increased crops. Call on or address JOHN G. DETWILER, Yorkes, Pa. 7-14-3m

FOR SALE.

Second-hand 2 1/2 h. p. gasoline engine and second-hand Ericson hot-air engine. G. F. CLAMER, Collegeville, Pa. 8-4.

WANTED.

A hustling young man with horse and wagon to sell bread and cakes in and around Collegeville. A chance to make good money. Apply at THIS OFFICE. 7-28-2t.

WANTED.

A good, strong boy to work at carriage painting and repairing. Apply at R. H. GRATER, Collegeville, Pa. 7-14.

WANTED.

A general purpose horse. Apply at THIS OFFICE.

WANTED.

A middle-aged man to represent us in this vicinity. SPECIAL INDUCEMENTS. SEEK POSITION. A opportunity to make a good weekly income. C. R. BURR & COMPANY, Nurserymen, Manchester, Conn. 6-30.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Collegeville Gas Company will be held in Frumen's hall, Collegeville, Pa., on TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, between the hours of 2 and 3 p. m. to elect Directors for the ensuing year and the transaction of other business. G. F. CLAMER, President, JOS. C. LANDES, Secretary.

NOTICE TO COLLEGEVILLE TAXPAYERS. The Borough and School Tax Duplicates have been placed in the hands of the undersigned collector and all persons who shall, within sixty days from July 1, 1910, make payment of any taxes charged against them in said duplicate, shall be entitled to a reduction of five centum from the amount thereof; and all persons who shall fail to make payment of any taxes charged against them in said duplicate, shall be charged five per centum additional on the taxes charged against them, which shall be added thereto by said collector of taxes and collected by him. F. C. PRIZER, Collector, Collegeville, Pa., July 2, 1910.

ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Joseph C. Stover, late of Skip-paw township, Montgomery county, deceased. Letters testamentary on the above estate having been granted to the undersigned, all persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims to present the same without delay. A. R. PLACE, Executor, Norristown, Pa. 7-7.

ESTATE NOTICE.

Estate of Elizabeth H. Allebach, late of the borough of Collegeville, Montgomery county, deceased. Notice is hereby given that letters of administration upon the above estate have been granted to the undersigned. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment, and those having legal claims against the estate to present them without delay in proper order for settlement to A. T. ALLEBACH, Administrator, Collegeville, Pa. 6-16.

CHARTER APPLICATION.

Notice is hereby given that application will be made to the Governor of Pennsylvania on August 31, 1910, by Daniel A. Bertolotto, Herbert H. Ganser and Montgomery Evans, under the Act of Assembly entitled "An Act to Provide for the Incorporation and Regulation of Certain Corporations," passed April 29, 1878, and the supplements thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation to be called "Collegeville Electric Light, Heat and Power Company," the character and object of which is to supply light, heat and power, by means of electricity, to the public, in the Borough of Collegeville, Montgomery county, Pennsylvania, and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges of said Act of Assembly and supplements thereto. EVANS & DETTRA, Solicitors.

FIRE TAX NOTICE.

The members of the Perkiomen Valley Mutual Fire Insurance Company of Montgomery County are hereby notified that a tax was levied on June 1, 1910, of \$1.50 on each one thousand dollars for which they are insured, to pay losses sustained. Payment must be made to the collector to the Secretary at his office in Collegeville. Extract from Charter: If any member of the Company shall refuse or neglect to pay his or her assessment within 40 days after the publication of the same, 20 per cent, of the assessment will be added thereto, and if his or her policy shall have become suspended until payment shall have been made. The 40 days' time for the payment of said tax will date from June 15, 1910. A. D. FETTEROLF, Secretary.

FOR SALE.

A substantial frame building 9x9 ft., lined throughout with yellow pine; tin roof. Will be sold at a bargain price. Apply to JOSEPH S. DETWILER, 5-19, Yorkes, Pa.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

COUNTY TAXES.

In pursuance to an act of Assembly approved March 17, 1888, supplementary acts thereto, the Treasurer of Montgomery County will meet the taxpayers of said county at the following named places and time for the purpose of receiving the County, State and Dog Taxes for the year 1910, assessed in their respective districts, viz:

Green Lane Borough, at the public house of John A. Harling, Monday, August 8, from 9:30 a. m. to 12 m.

Red Hill Borough, at the public house of C. B. Buxey, Monday, August 8, from 1 to 3 p. m.

East Greenville Borough and Upper Hanover Township, Third district, at the public house of Samuel H. Koebel, East Greenville, Tuesday, August 9, from 7 a. m. to 3 p. m.

Upper Hanover Township, Second district, at the public house of Jonas Harlings, Wednesday, August 10, from 9 to 12 m.

Pennsburg Borough and Upper Hanover, First district, at the public house of Charles Kneule, Wednesday, August 10, from 1:30 to 4 p. m.

Marlborough Township, at the public house of Geo. W. D. App, Sunnyside, Thursday, August 11, from 9 to 12 m.

Upper Salford Township, at the public house of Wentzel Hoepfel, Woxall, Thursday, August 11, from 12:30 to 2:30 p. m.

Taxes will be received at the County Treasurer's Office, Norristown, from June 1 to September 15, from 8:30 a. m. to 12 m., and from 1 to 3 p. m.

State Rate, 4 mills. County Rate, 3 mills.

Correspondence to receive attention must be accompanied with postage for reply and in all cases location of property, whether in Township or Borough, must be definitely given.

LET THE YAWN COME.

A good, wide, open mouthed yawn is a splendid thing for the whole body. A yawn is nature's demand for rest. Some people think they only yawn because they are sleepy, but this is not so. You yawn because you are tired. You may be sleepy also, but that is not the real cause of your yawning. You are sleepy because you are tired.

Whenever you feel like yawning just yawn. Don't try to suppress it because you think it is impolite to yawn. Put your hand over your mouth if you want to, but let the yawn come. And if you are where you can stretch at the same time that you yawn just stretch and yawn. This is nature's way of stretching and relaxing the muscles.

Don't be afraid to open your mouth wide and yawn and stretch whenever you feel like it. Indeed, if you are very tired, but do not feel like yawning, there is nothing that will rest you so quickly as to sit on a straight back chair and, lifting your feet from the floor, push them out in front of you as far as possible, stretch the arms, put the head back, open the mouth wide and make yourself yawn.

Those tense nerves will relax, the contracted muscles will stretch and the whole body will be rested. Do this two or three times when you are tired and see what it will do for you.

FAT PEOPLE TAKE COURAGE.

Fat is often unappreciated or misunderstood and unduly blamed for sins of delinquency of other body foods. From 15 to 20 per cent, of each healthy body is composed of fat and its chief sources are the starches and sugars, though certain fats are directly utilized.

The weight of present opinion is in favor of the view that fats are completely decomposed in the intestines and that the fatty acids, formed are absorbed, either as soaps or in a solution brought about by the bile.

As a source of energy for the development of heat, fat may be described as quickly available, but not so lasting as some other substances, declares a writer in the Medical Record. By its concentrated fuel power it saves other tissues, especially the albuminous ones from over-oxidation and is valuable as a reserve force.

Moreover, by its presence the protein is better enabled to do its work in tissue building and as a storage of energy for emergencies it is of great importance. The last material use of fat is to serve as a protection of the body from injury and cold. It forms an outer cushion for the frame.

From an aesthetic standpoint the physiological and orderly distribution of fat in the connective tissue makes all the difference between beauty and ugliness. In considering the psychic role of fat we should specially bear in mind, G. M. Miles says, its reserve function in relation to active vital processes. A liberal deposition of fat is one of nature's wise precautions to enable us to bear some of the trials of life. It has been known from earliest antiquity that fat people are more contented and optimistic than lean ones and the supply of fat may be compared to the ample bank account of a busy and provident man. Miles says that he believes he is correct in asserting that a physiological reserve of fat by its very presence exerts a quieting and reassuring influence on the vital forces most concerned in constructive metabolism, while its lack leads to a physical discontent and unrest, which sooner or later reacts on the disposition, developing into that pessimism and temperamental discontent so often seen in lean people.

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14 BURNED BY VITRIOL

Wagon Upset and Children Were Covered With Acid.

TWO DIED OF INJURIES

Ten Children Fearfully Injured, and Men Who Tried to Rescue Them Also Badly Hurt.

Fourteen persons, ten children and four men, were terribly burned by vitriol through the upsetting of a supply wagon of the bureau of fire at Eighteenth street and Ridge avenue, Philadelphia. One of the men, Richard Gear, of 826 North Hutchinson street, a fireman, and all of the children were riding on the wagon when the accident took place. The three others were burned in their efforts to rescue.

Of the injured children, two died at St. Joseph's hospital, where all fourteen persons were taken. It is probable that all will be marked for life by the terrible burns inflicted upon them.

The dead are Catherine Daniels, nine years old, and Raymond Dager, seven years old.

Three of the injured are men who went to the rescue of the children, and were painfully burned about the hands, arms and feet.

Gear is the father of five of the children, whom he had allowed to ride with him while delivering supplies of the chemical to the various engine houses. It was spilled over the children when the wheel came off the wagon and sent children and carboys and vitriol into the street together.

Gear left the supply house with his wagon loaded up with four ten-gallon glass carboys, eight five-gallon cans and a barrel of the chemical. On his way uptown to distribute it among the engine houses of the northwestern section of the city he stopped at his home.

Children of the neighborhood, including his five daughters, besought Gear to take them for a ride on his wagon, and, although it is forbidden by the rules of the bureau to allow any person but the driver on the wagon, he consented.

Accordingly the ten children clambered aboard and sat wherever they could find room. Young Raymond Dager sat on the barrel and others on the wooden casings of the carboys or on the floor of the wagon.

As the wagon crossed Eighteenth street the wheels became locked in the grooved trolley tracks. Gear turned the horse sharply to pull off the track, and the rear axle broke. The wagon dropped with a crash and then rolled over on its side. The shock broke the glass carboys and knocked the plug from the barrel, so that the fiery liquid poured out in a flood.

Raymond Dager was thrown from his perch on the barrel and spur after spurt of the acid spouted from the open bung hole all over his head and body. It was in this manner that he suffered the burns which caused his death.

The contents of the carboys quickly flooded the wagon, and there was no escape for the huddled children, whose screams of agony aroused the neighborhood and could be heard for blocks. Gear was hurled backward from his seat by the shock of the wreck and directly into the whirling pool of acid. Blinded by the fluid and crazed by their pain, neither he nor the children seemed able to get away by leaping from the wagon.

DOG FINDS 3 BOYS' BODIES IN SAND PILE

Smothered by Cave-in While at Play.

Three little boys who had been searched for high and low since they were missed from their homes on Madison street, in Brooklyn, Monday, were found dead in a nearby vacant lot, where a sand embankment had fallen upon them while they were at play.

The presence of the bodies in the sand pile was discovered by a dog playing with his boy master in the lot. The lad gave the alarm, and policemen and firemen dug the crushed forms from the sand.

It is supposed the boys had been attempting to tunnel the sand pile, and that it had caved in upon them. The dead children were Alfred Sohn, 9 years old; his brother, John, 6, and Harold Verhas, 9.

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SUNG THEIR LESSONS

Geography Set to Music an Old Time Teaching Scheme.

A PLAN OF YANKEE ORIGIN.

One of the Most Popular Aids in the List Used to Interest the Pupils in Their Studies Was "Auld Lang Syne"—"Bonny Doon" Also Liked.

Singing geography was a popular fad in the educational line in New York in olden days, particularly in up state school districts. It was of Yankee origin. It was never made part of the common school system of the state, but was taught outside the regular hours.

A set of wall maps known as Pelton's outline maps was used. There were no names of geographical divisions or places on them. The instructor would go over the map on which the lesson was found, pointing out with a pointing rod the different countries, cities, rivers, lakes or whatever might be the subject in hand, and at the same time the name of each division, place or body of water would be mentioned in song. The teacher, usually a man, would lead the class chorus as he pointed, and if the subject happened to be political divisions the song would run like this, to the tune of "Bonny Doon":

Let North America be first
In our descriptive rhyme rehearsed,
Its northern bound the arctic waves,
Its east the Atlantic ocean laves.
The Gulf of Mexico we see
Upon its southern boundary.
Its western and southwestern sides
Are washed by the Pacific tides.

The geographical verses were contained in the pupils' text book called "The Key to Pelton's New and Improved Series of Outline Maps." Among other things the following is found in the preface of one of these old time volumes:

"With respect to the versification, it is merely necessary to say that the design has been to put all the important geographical localities on the globe, in connection with much valuable matter, in a form which can be most easily committed to memory, and it is confidently believed that the exhilarating effect of harmonious sounds will greatly facilitate the acquisition of this knowledge, and care has been taken that none but popular and approved airs be inserted in the work."

"Auld Lang Syne" appears to have been regarded as an especially "popular and approved" air and was often used. In the very first lesson the pupils were taught to describe the earth by singing the following to this tune:

The earth is a large ball or globe
Whose surface has been found
Three-fourths with ocean waves submerged
And but one-fourth dry ground.

Two hundred millions of square miles
Earth's surface does embrace,
Eight hundred million people here
All find a dwelling place.

Tongue twisting names did not embarrass the geographical versifier, although the enunciation of all the pupils probably was not perfect when, for example, in the lesson on Asia they sang to the air of "Bruce's Address" such lines as these:

Now in modulations sweet
Asia's rivers we repeat,
Obi river in Russia greet,
Irish river next.

Lost in sand behind Helmund,
Then northward seek Yarkund;
Be not turbid Oxus shunned;
Sihon river see.

Ural river next in place,
Attruck and Koor river trace;
Kizil Irmak then embrace
In our melody.

There were thirty-one states in the Union when singing geography was in vogue, and the pupils were taught to bound each of them in verse. California was then the newest state, having been admitted in 1850; was the last on the list, and its boundaries were thus defined:

On California's northern side vast Oregon is placed,
Both Utah and New Mexico upon the east are traced,
Upon its southern borders next may Mexico be found,
And broad Pacific's sparkling waves compose its western bound.

In thirty-four stanzas set to the tune of "Bonny Doon" the geography class would make a tour of Europe and glean bits of information about various countries and cities visited. The tour would start in this fashion:

Now be our geographic rhymes
Transferred to European climes.
The grand divisions first we teach
With the metropolis of each.

Norway, a region bleak and cold,
By Christiania is controlled.
Sweden, that Charles the hero bred,
Takes Stockholm for its chief and head.

Russia in proud expansion sits
And to St. Petersburg submits
Austria, with its imperial crown,
Vienna takes for its chief town.

Turkey, in southern Europe placed,
Is by Constantinople graced.
Greece, once for arts and arms renowned,
With glorious Athens still is crowned.

Thus the geography pupils sang on through the list of European nations and capitals.—New York Sun.

Enlivened the Play.
"Monte Cristo" was playing to a crowded house in a New York theater. In a box sat a man who had looked on the wine when it was red. When Monte mounted the rock in the sea and exclaimed, "The world is mine!" the man in the box shouted, "What'll you take for Hoboken?"—Brooklyn Life.

Silence is a figure of speech, unanswerable, short, cold, but terribly severe.—Parker.

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THE NEW PARTY.

The Keystone Party of Pennsylvania was ushered into existence in Witherspoon Hall, Philadelphia, last Thursday, when a convention of Independent Republicans and Democrats hailing from fifty-nine counties of the State nominated a ticket as follows: Governor, William H. Berry; Lieutenant-Governor, D. Clarence Gibboney, of Philadelphia; State Treasurer, C. D. Scully, of Pittsburgh; Secretary of Internal Affairs, John J. Casey, of Luzerne. The candidates were nominated by acclamation. The platform adopted—brief and to the point paragraphs—declares that "Pennsylvanians are face to face with necessity for desperate battle for the preservation of representative free government," that "a political trust managed by cunning politicians threatens the Commonwealth—the Republican and Democratic conspirators being in league against the people." The platform also avers that both of the tickets nominated by the old parties were dictated by the same authority; that public enemies know no party ties; and furthermore declares in favor of a shorter ballot, civil service, home rule with relation to the liquor traffic, generous appropriations to the public schools, good roads, the better protection of labor, a careful revision of the tax laws, and the election of United States Senators by the people. The ticket nominated and the platform adopted will receive the support of thousands of electors at the polls in November. Whether or not the new party will develop enough strength to determine the result of the election of either Mr. Tener or Mr. Grim, is quite problematical. All will depend upon the relative numerical support the new Keystone party draws from the Republican and Democratic parties. Although Mr. Berry has an excellent record as a former State Treasurer, he is scarcely to be regarded as a strong candidate under existing conditions—because he is a very ambitious politician with a chronic mania for public prominence and recognition; because he participated as a candidate in the Democratic State Convention at Allentown and promised (if Mr. Grim is not untruthful) to support the ticket nominated at that convention. These considerations will militate against him and against the new party ticket, as a whole. Nevertheless the issues as expressed by the platform adopted by the Independents invite and deserve sober and serious reflection, and it is the duty of voters of all parties to study the existing political situation in Pennsylvania and ascertain whether it be true that the direction of the affairs of both the Republican and Democratic parties has been and is controlled from one source and by a combination of wily Republican and Democratic politicians, and vote accordingly, as American freemen should vote. For, if such be the truth with reference to political conditions in this State, then indeed are the free institutions and the political liberty of the people of the Commonwealth in grave danger—to the very shame of the voters themselves. It is a pity that the formulators of the Keystone party did not unite upon a non-office-seeker for Governor, a man of conspicuous ability and integrity, inclined to the duties of private citizenship rather than to the glamour of official power and public notoriety. But the members of the new party did the best they could, and it is to be assumed that a large majority of the participants in the meeting at Witherspoon Hall were actuated by proper motives and the courage of their convictions. Therefore their work must be fairly and dispassionately reckoned with as a whole and those who fail to do so will fail in their duty as responsible citizens.

If Cannon will keep right on making a noise and resisting sunstrokes, Republican insurgents will not have lived in vain.

According to the last year book of the Department of Agriculture there are 21,720,000 milch cows in the United States, and these are worth \$702,945,900. The magnitude of the industry can perhaps be best understood when it is considered that these cows produce yearly about \$1,000,000,000 worth of dairy products. Dairying has made wonderful progress since the advent of the modern creamery and the consumer of butter has not only been benefited by being furnished a more wholesome and palatable article of food, but the wife in the farm home has been relieved of the drudgery incident to making butter on the farm.

From the Rochester Herald: In five years the Presidential yacht has cost \$1,465,261. Fortunately, it was expended for the benefit of the party which set up so loud a howl when a Government tug gave Grover Cleveland a lift to the Potomac fishing grounds.

Ex-U. S. SENATOR FORAKER, of Standard Oil fame as a statesman, exerted some of his erstwhile grip upon the Republican party in Ohio last week and helped the Taft administration and the Cannon-Aldrich-Trust wing of the Republican party to win out decisively in the nomination of Mr. Harding for Governor. It will be a much harder task to elect Mr. Harding and defeat Governor Harmon than it was to nominate Mr. Harding.

In furthering the plans for the protection of babies the Coroner of Des Moines, Iowa, has proposed a law making it a crime for parents to sleep in the same bed with infants under two years old. This zealous protector of child life declares that in the last year he has been called upon to investigate the deaths of 90 babies found lifeless in bed, and that a large percentage of them were smothered.

MISS HELEN HAMILTON is a girl student of engineering in the University of Michigan, who thinks there is an opportunity for women in the building of sewers. She thinks it will be just as easy when she gets to be a sewer contractor to be a lady bossing a crew of men digging a sewer as it would be governing a room full of obstinate children.

CHICAGO is congratulating itself on a feat in municipal building. The last stone in the outer structure of the new \$5,000,000 City Hall was laid one day last week, less than a year after the corner stone was put in place. Still more remarkable, the completed structure, ready for occupancy, is promised by Christmas, about eighteen months from the time the work was begun. Chicago is not such a bad city, after all.

THE employees of the Sugar Trust have had to go on strike in order to obtain living wages. This is the Trust which is protected by a tariff of \$1.90 a hundred pounds on sugar, and is enabled to mulct American consumers to the extent of \$85,000,000 a year. But the Payne-Aldrich Tariff for Trusts must be all right. Cannon says so, ditto some Ohio Republicans, and our own Congressman, Mr. Wanger. And up to date, a majority of the voters of the country are also, apparently at least, in love with the incubus. Pity something can't be done with the insurgents and kickers.

NORRISTOWN LETTER.

NORRISTOWN, PA., Aug. 2, 1910.

Leader McAvoy, of the county democracy, gave the Republican ticket of the county a decided boost for the fall campaign when he engineered the "fake" Keystone party papers in Prothonotary Drake's office. By thus trying to tack on his flimsy county ticket, nominated under disrupt conditions, to the Keystone party's State ticket, he will certainly keep from the support of the Third party ticket any who might otherwise have been inclined in the county to support independent nominees while many of the democracy, especially, will certainly be inclined to vote for the G. O. P. nominees rather than accept the material which this officeholder is thus trying to force down the throats of those in the democracy independently inclined. Mr. McAvoy's trick, for which he alone is padding himself on the back, is bound to prove a boomerang, and thus lessen his own chances to secure the nomination for the office now held by his able chieftain.

They are growing a hedge fence about Norristown's dismal "stockade." A local octopus in liquid refreshments wanted to decorate the high boards with rich coloring work depicting a certain "light or dark" output. Fear of righteous indignation of papers for so glaring attempt to lead the students into temptation, made it expedient to banish the rather financially advantageous proposition. There is a new athletic committee on the job.

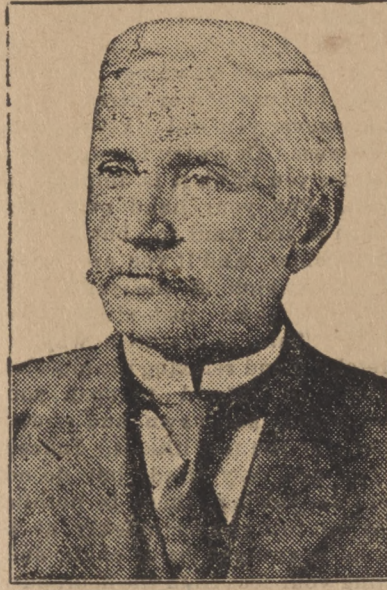
"Weary lies the head that wears a crown," even if it is a political "crown" of doubtful quality, is an adage which the Congressman from the Eighth Pennsylvania district appears to fully attest to. The fear of a Huey ghost for the Fall campaign is evidently giving the "Cannonite" the nightmare, judging from the solicitude displayed this week as to Huey's campaign expense statement being filed, and thereby determine the legal qualification of "he of the big coal bucket" to run at the November election, on independent lines. In connection with campaign expenses, it is evident to those who chanced to handle and note the entries in the judgment docket at the Court House that the present campaign of explaining why high prices prevail and a futile attempt at disavowal of a share of responsibility thereof, is to all appearances proving a costly proposition.

"Rum, Romanism and Rebellion" was most glaringly exemplified in a highly dramatic manner in the Conshohocken Council Chamber a few nights ago when John Harrold, a saloon-keeper, flushed with the dictatorial power given him by his democratic colleagues and a few republican renegades, not only defied the president of the council to legislate in the interests of the taxpayers, but became rebellious and resorted to physical action, when he feared his game of autocracy was being checkmated. Harrold evidently belongs to that element whose true motto is "rule or ruin."

OBSERVER.

WILLIAM H. BERRY.

Nominated For Governor on the Keystone Ticket.



Harding Named For Governor of Ohio.

The Republican nominee for governor of Ohio is Warren G. Harding of Marion, once lieutenant governor. Despite the strenuous efforts made by Senator Burton's Cuyahoga county delegation to stampede the convention at Columbus for Nicholas Longworth, and George B. Cox's every effort in behalf of Judge O. B. Brown of Dayton, a combination of the "progressives" with the national administration men, broke up the fight on the third ballot.

Then Cox, yielding to the inevitable, cast the ninety-one Hamilton votes for Harding, and that finished it.

The continuation of the roll call was a joke. The withdrawal of James R. Garfield and Carmi A. Thompson before the beginning of the vote brought about a Garfield-administration combination thirty-two hours before would have seemed to the delegates impossible. All the Garfield votes, outside the Cuyahoga delegation and a few that clung to the undeveloped candidacy of the former secretary of the interior, were cast for Harding.

The final vote was: Harding, 746; Brown, 120, and Longworth, 195. Joseph B. Foraker and numerous other recipients of surprise ballots, who had divided the scattering vote, were reduced to five votes between them. The nomination of the Marion editor was made unanimous.

Lieutenant Governor Francis W. Treadwell as renominated by acclamation.

For state treasurer, Rudy A. Archer, of Belmont county, defeated Richard Gilson, of Steubenville, by a vote of 628 to 438.

U. G. Denman, of Toledo, was nominated for attorney general by acclamation.

The defeat of Cox and the unqualified endorsement of the administration are regarded as a signal victory for Mr. Taft in his own state, and as opening a more hopeful prospect of beating Harmon, the Democratic governor, who is conceded by the Republicans to be a formidable opponent.

Banker Jennings Leaves Jail.

Edward H. Jennings, former president of the Columbia National bank, was smuggled out of the county jail at Pittsburgh, after having served nearly two months for bribing councilmen in a successful effort to have his bank named as a city depository.

While he did not use the effects of "Old Sleuth" or "Nick Carter," he was as effectually disguised by a two months' growth of beard, which hid his identity so well that when he attended church few persons in the edifice were aware that Jennings had been released.

The greatest secrecy was observed in his release. Instead of being taken out of the big iron doors on Ross street he was smuggled over the "bridge of sighs," thence to the courthouse and cut through the front door, whence an automobile drove him to his Fifth avenue home.

There he was met by Mrs. James Magee, his daughter, who has been ill for several months, and who does not know her father has been in jail. She had been informed that he had taken a trip to South America for his health.

While in the county jail Banker Jennings learned a new vocation. He has become an expert potato peeler. A few days after his incarceration, Warden Lewis put the millionaire banker peeling "spuds." When Jennings was released Sunday he was an expert.

Broke Neck Wrestling.

Harry Coleman broke his cousin's neck in a wrestling bout and is in jail at Pittsburgh, awaiting a hearing on a formal charge of murder. The cousin, Joseph Smith, died, after lying unconscious for ten days.

The two are said to have been fast friends, but always disputing each other's prowess. It is expected that Coleman will be released after a hearing.

102 Cases of Ptomaine Poisoning.

Twenty-two new cases of ptomaine poisoning were reported to the board of health at Joplin, Mo., making the total number reported in the last seven days 102. Two deaths have resulted and several victims are in a critical condition.

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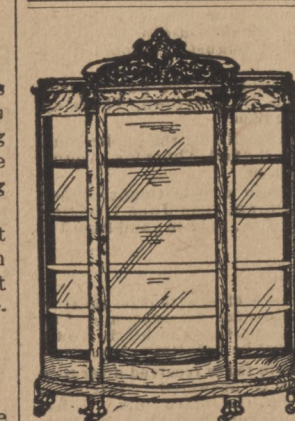
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Dr. Hawley H. Crippen, who, with Ethel Clara Leneve, was arrested on the steamer Montrose, announced in Quebec, Canada, that he would not resist extradition to England to stand trial for the murder of a woman, believed to be the missing wife, Belle Moore.

Crippen was remanded for fifteen days. At the expiration of that time he will be sent back to England, unless in the meantime he decides to fight extradition.

Crippen's companion in flight was to have been arraigned, but her custodians reported to the court that she was too ill to appear.

The authorities are confident that the woman will give no more trouble than Crippen promises to, and that as soon as the fifteen days of grace provided by the extradition laws of Canada have expired both prisoners can be returned to London without any hitch.

When Crippen and the girl were arrested on board the incoming steamer Montrose they were charged with an identical crime, the murder and mutilation of an unknown woman. It had been expected that both would be arraigned at once, and deported upon the steamer Royal George, that will sail for England Thursday. However, Dew, the Scotland Yard inspector, received instructions which changed the program.

The English officials do not wish anything done that give the appearance of "railroading" the prisoners. They wish the formalities of extradition followed to the letter, so that the prisoners shall not escape through any technicalities of the law.

Clara Leneve was transferred from the Provincial jail to a hospital. The girl scarcely has been able to stand since her collapse, when she was taken into custody. Her condition has excited much sympathy, and the jail keepers suggested to the court that she be sent to a hospital, where she could receive medical attention, of which she is plainly in need.

The court granted the request, and went further in making known its intention to send an official to the hospital to take her answers to the same formal question that were asked of Crippen in open court. This will spare the woman the shock of appearing in court, and under the circumstances it is deemed advisable not to aggravate the strain under which she is already suffering.

The girl's family in London appears to be doing all in their power to aid her and at the same time to promote the cause of justice. During the day she received three cablegrams from her relatives. One of these messages urged her to tell everything and another besought her to remember her own family, not matter how great might be her love for Crippen.

Dr. Hawley H. Crippen and his typist, Ethel Clara Leneve, attired in boy's clothes, were arrested by Canadian police on board the liner Montrose off Father Point, Quebec, being charged with the murder of the physician's wife, Belle Elmore Crippen, the flesh of whose body was found buried in quicklime in the cellar of their London home.

Dr. Crippen took his arrest quietly. "I am the man," he said, when approached by Chief McCarthy and Chief Dennis, of the Dominion police, and being pointed out as the fugitive by Inspector Dew, of Scotland Yard.

Miss Leneve was found in her bedroom, dressed as a boy and badly frightened. She collapsed utterly when placed under arrest. Becoming hysterical, she was given in charge of a physician, who will remain at her bedside.

It is reported that Dr. Crippen admitted knowledge of his wife's tragic death, but how far his confession went is not disclosed.

Miss Leneve denied having any connection with the crime. A quantity of jewelry was found in her room. Belle Elmore owned many diamonds, which were not found in the London home.

The arrest was made in full view of Dr. Crippen's fellow passengers. He made no resistance.

Dr. Crippen, attired in a great coat, was on deck. Inspector Dew recognized him, and at a nod the officers placed him under arrest.

They then proceeded to Miss Leneve's cabin, where she was found attired in boy's clothes. She also was taken into custody.

Immediately a simple signal, previously arranged, was sent out by wireless from the Montrose, and in a few seconds the wireless was carrying the news of the arrest to all parts of the United States and Canada and over the seas to England, where the outcome of Inspector Dew's trip was awaited with the greatest anxiety.

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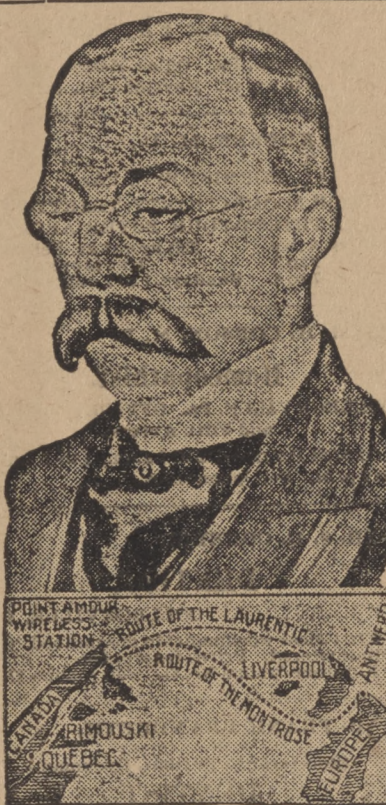
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KILLS DOCTOR AND SELF ON EVE OF WEDDING

Woman Shoots Physician and Commits Suicide.

Dr. George Murray Stuart, one of the most prominent young physicians of the fashionable East Liberty district in Pittsburg, was found shot dead in his apartments at 5604 Penn avenue.

Beside him lay the body of Edna Wallace, a middle aged woman. A shot through her right temple was apparently self inflicted, after she had shot and killed the doctor. A revolver lying by the woman's side strengthens the police in this theory.

The double killing occurred almost on the eve of Dr. Stuart's marriage to a Virginia society woman.

Edna Wallace was the proprietress of a resort at 222 Lambert street, and the police believe that jealousy of the doctor's approaching marriage prompted the double tragedy. The marriage was to take place August 10. The woman's body was removed to the morgue and that of the young physician was turned over to an undertaker.

Both bodies were found in bed. The police believe the shooting occurred late Sunday night or early Monday morning.

The discovery of the bodies was made by Dr. George W. Ely, a friend of the dead man, who, becoming alarmed at Dr. Stuart's absence, broke into his apartments.

MULE WRECKS MOTOR CYCLE

Kicked Machine and Riders Over a Steep Bank.

Clyde Jenness took his sweetheart for a ride on a motor cycle at Logansport, Ind., on Tuesday, and seeing a mule standing in the road, let in the gasoline and opened wide the exhaust. "Watch him run," he said, but when the mule did not run Jenness turned to pass the animal, fearing a collision. Just as he was opposite the mule, it let fly with both feet, striking the motor cycle amidships and hurling the riders over a steep bank. The machine was broken to pieces and the riders were badly injured.

TAFT AND T. R. TO MEET

Said to Have Accepted Invitation to Visit Lloyd C. Griscom.

The Post says that President Taft and Colonel Theodore Roosevelt have accepted invitations to meet at the summer home of former ambassador Lloyd C. Griscom at Black Rock, near Bridgeport, Conn.

The exact time of meeting is not known, nor whether there will be others of prominence in the party.

Found Missing Boy in Hospital.

Hollis Wyman, seventeen years old, a son of the Rev. W. T. Weyman, of Cherry Valley, Mass., who mysteriously disappeared Monday from the home of W. D. Starr, near Pennington, N. J., was located at St. Francis' hospital, Trenton. The lad was registered under the assumed name of Charles Baker. He is seriously ill.

Crane Picks Out Man's Eye.

While he was holding a crane which had been slightly wounded at Carrolltown, Va., Joseph Warender, aged 23, was unable to dodge its beak, and the bird pecked out his left eye. Because of sympathetic nerve trouble it is believed he may lose the other eye.

Cured Indigestion by Fasting.

After fasting for twenty-one days to cure indigestion, H. S. Grove, a merchant, of Catawissa, near Wilkes-Barre, Pa., considered himself cured and started to eat again.

NAMES BERRY FOR GOVERNOR

Keystone Party Nominates a State Ticket.

PLATFORM RAPS BOSSES

Short Ballot and Revision of Charitable System Among Other Things Advocated—Convention Was Stormy.

William H. Berry, of Chester, former state treasurer, swept the convention of the new Keystone (third) party in Philadelphia and landed the gubernatorial nomination by a lead of 50 votes over his nearest competitor.

The first ballot showed a total of 96 votes for Berry, 46 for Rudolph Blankenburg, of Philadelphia, and 22 for George W. Guthrie, former mayor of Pittsburg. There were 177 delegates present, representing 51 counties.

D. Clarence Giboney was nominated for lieutenant governor; John J. Casey, of Wilkes-Barre, for secretary of internal affairs, and Cornelius D. Scully, of Pittsburg, for state treasurer.

Mr. Berry later appeared before the convention, and after a ten-minute outburst of enthusiasm had subsided promised the delegates to stomp the state from end to end, thanked them for the honor they had conferred upon him and predicted that the end of bossism had come in Pennsylvania.

The session, which was held in Witherspoon hall, Juniper and Walnut streets, lasted from early in the morning until late at night. From the first tap of the gavel, when John O. Sheatz, former state treasurer and chairman of the temporary executive committee of the new party, called the delegates to order until the final motion to adjourn, the convention hall was a continuous scene of stress and turmoil. Factions without number fought valiantly for their own individual interests, and several times the arguments became so heated and personal that only the cool headedness of a few of the leaders saved the assemblage from a stampede.

Roosevelt vs. Bryan.

The most serious clash came late in the afternoon, when Frank M. Ritter, of this city, introduced a resolution endorsing Theodore Roosevelt. There was immediately a division of the delegates along party lines, and there were shouts from all corners of the room of "Why not Bryan also?"

Several delegates wanted to speak at the same time and the pounding of the gavel was lost in the uproar. Finally Henry C. Niles, of York, chairman, succeeded in preventing open hostilities, and the resolution was laid on the table amid the hisses and jeers directed at Mr. Ritter.

The platform, in brief, is as follows: Vigorous denunciation of the Republican and Democratic state tickets.

Condemnation of "boss rule" and assertion that both old party tickets and platforms were "dictated by the same authority" and both made in the interests of the liquor business.

Abolition of party square and adoption of short ballot.

Civil service laws to apply to every employee in the purely administrative service of the public.

Local option to govern the sale of intoxicating liquor.

Standardization of the public school system.

Election of United States senators by popular vote.

Revision of the tax laws and enactment of laws to prevent evasion of taxes.

Creation of a public service commission. Simplification of city governments and right of recall to affect municipal officers.

Regulation and improvement of the minor judiciary, including administration only by men learned in the law.

Just and liberal appropriations for charitable purposes, but careful revision of the system and regulation of appropriations to private charities. Better labor laws, including improved employers' liability laws.

Mother Says Her Four Children.

Four young children of Mrs. Joseph Mello, wife of a wealthy rancher, near Brentwood, Cal., were drowned by their mother.

Mrs. Mello was evidently driven insane by the loneliness of the country. She lived in a big farmhouse with her husband and children, the oldest being Chester, 14 years old. No servant was employed. After writing letters to her relatives, telling them she was desperate through loneliness, she took the five children into the kitchen and deliberately set about killing them.

First she strangled little Ramon, a 4-year-old girl, and then drowned her in a washtub. Leona, a 2-year-old girl, came next. She snatched the baby from the arms of her brother and killed the child like the others. Then she seized the twin babies, five months old, and plunged them in the tub. Little Chester, who had vainly tried to stop his mother's dreadful work, rushed out into the yard and screamed for help. Sheriff Veale happened to be passing in an automobile and he responded. He took the mother and placed her under arrest and in a hospital. The mother cried constantly.

To the sheriff Mrs. Mello told a story of her lonely, blank existence in the country, an existence shadowed with constant horror of impending insanity, which she confessed had carried off her mother, her sister and her brother.

Berry Pickers' Heavy Loss.

Statistics compiled by Mahanoy City, Pa., dealers in huckleberries show this season's crop to be more than 50 per cent. less than last year's, when the daily shipments to market for July averaged 118 tons.

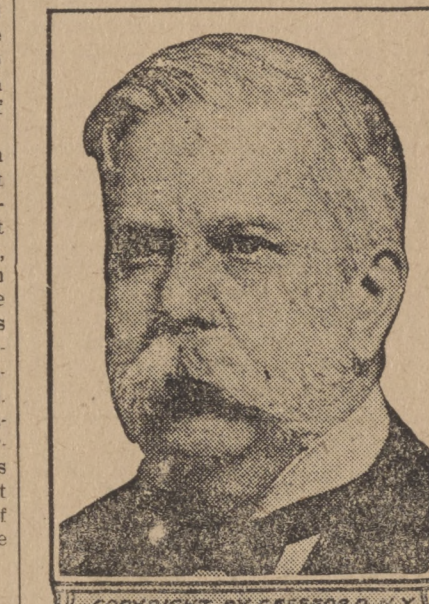
A year ago pickers realized from this source \$1000 a day, or more than the payroll of the largest colliery in this section for the same time. Forest fires and extreme heat killed this year's yield.

Westinghouse Forced Out.

George Westinghouse, the inventor and head of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company for nearly twenty-five years, was removed from the presidency of that concern at a meeting of the directors in New York.

Edwin F. Atkins, of Boston, was elected to succeed him, but it is understood that Mr. Atkins will hold office only temporarily until such time as the directors may be able to agree upon a man who will fill the place permanently.

The action of the board was in no way unexpected. It has been known for some time that there has been considerable friction between Mr. Westinghouse and Robert Mather, who was put in as chairman of the board



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after the reorganization with powers that overshadowed those of the president.

The former was chosen chairman of the board in behalf of the banking interests that aided in reorganizing the property after it had been forced into the hands of a receiver in 1907.

Mr. Mather objected to the policies of Mr. Westinghouse, and the latter in return opposed the financial methods of Mr. Mather. The action of the directors puts an end to the friction.

Girl Slain in Berry Patch.

The body of a twelve-year-old girl, horribly mutilated, was found in a berry patch near California, Pa., and the authorities have thrown out a dragnet for possible suspects.

Two Italians who had been picking berries reported the finding of the child's body. Torn clothing, broken twigs and trampled grass evidenced a terrific struggle. The body lies in a local undertaking establishment awaiting identification.

Infant Paralysis in Pennsylvania.

There are close to 400 cases of infantile paralysis in Pennsylvania, in the opinion of officials of the state department of health.

Cases have been reported from nine localities, and the officials say that they are closely following developments everywhere. No opinions are expressed as to the probable extent of the outbreak, but it is pointed out that it may last well through August.

John G. Carlisle Dead.

John Griffin Carlisle, President Cleveland's secretary of the treasury, who has been ill at the Hotel Wolcott since Tuesday last, died in New York, aged 74 years. His illness had been regarded as hopeless for several days. He suffered from an attack of acute indigestion, complicated by heart disease and oedema of the lungs.

GENERAL MARKETS

PHILADELPHIA — FLOUR firm; winter clear, \$4.15@4.40; city mills, fancy, \$6.50@6.75.

RYE FLOUR steady, at \$4@4.10 per barrel.

WHEAT steady; No 2 red, new, 98¢@99¢.

CORN quiet; No 2 yellow local, 73¢@73½¢.

OATS quiet; No. 2 white 47½¢@48¢; lower grades, 46½¢.

POLTRY: Live firm; hens, 17½¢@18¢; old roosters, 13¢. Dressed firm; choice fowls, 18½¢; old roosters, 13¢.

BUTTER steady; extra creamery, 30¢ per lb.

EGGS firm; selected, 26¢@28¢; near-by, 21½¢; western, 21½¢.

POTATO: "S" quiet, at 50¢@1.65 per barrel, as to quality.

Live Stock Markets.

PITTSBURGH (Union Stock Yards) — CATTLE firm; choice, \$7.20@7.40; prime, \$6.90@7.15.

SHEEP steady; prime wethers, \$4.75@5; culls and common, \$2@3; lambs, \$4.50@7; veal calves, \$9.50@10.

HOGS firm; prime heavies, \$8.75@9.80; mediums, \$9.35; heavy Yorkers, \$9.45@9.50; light Yorkers, \$9.65@9.75; pigs, \$9.80@9.90; roughs, \$7.50@8.

WAY TO SOUTH JOHNSVILLE.

Story of a Young Man, a Girl and an Automobile.

By ALLAN P. AMES.

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"For downright chuckleheaded meanness," said King, "this town has everything in central New York pushed off the map."

"O-h! Is that so-o?" said Zeb Williams, the town constable.

"I-I suppose you heard what I just said?" stammered the youth as he collided at the store door with a pretty girl. "I fear that in my haste I was too general. I didn't mean to include the whole town."

"You needn't explain," she said quickly. "I know how they treat people in automobiles."

King murmured something about its being of no consequence and had started toward his car when, to his surprise, she followed. "If you want to go to South Johnsville," she said, with friendly assurance, "I'll show you how."

"Somehow or other I've a notion you live in that big brick house back in the trees by the four corners. Get in and I can set you down at your door, and you at the same time can point out which road I'm to take."

Then the girl surprised him again. She accepted the invitation.

In the seat beside him, she showed intelligent interest in his valves and levers, and the conversation during the brief but swift run to the crossroads was mainly technical in its nature.

"Let me take you around the square and finish the lesson," he said. "It's only four or five miles, and I've all afternoon to get where I'm going."

"I should just love to," she replied, with a frankness he had learned to

dered King's. And as the girl, quickening her pace at the unexpected sight, reached the gate an ominous double click announced that the irons had locked about his wrists.

Hampered as he was, King still fought, with elbows, with shoulders, with knees, with feet—fought as primitive man might have battled blind with rage against overwhelming odds—while the body of the car lurched on its excellent springs as if traveling over a hummocky road. But the three villagers were gradually crushing him into submission and in a few seconds more he must have yielded, a breathless and humiliated captive, when help came from an unexpected quarter. Fully occupied with the struggle, none of the four men noticed that the silent spectator had advanced beside the car. She leaned forward, avoiding with difficulty their thrashing bodies, and suddenly from the throbbing motor shot a series of those violent, unmuffled explosions so alarming to uninitiated ears.

The effect upon Zeb Williams and his two panting aids was instantaneous. With smothered ejaculations they simultaneously let go the prisoner and straightened up to gaze in alarm at the hooded motor which seemed on the point of tearing itself to pieces. Then, before they had a chance to recover their wits, the car started forward with a jolt that threw all three over the mud guards into the road.

On being released King also had started to rise, but the jerk of the car only sent him sprawling back into the seat next the driver's. There his right shoulder came in contact with a gray clad arm stretched out to the steering wheel, and, twisting about, he found the seat he had formerly occupied filled by a young lady with flushed cheeks and tousled hair intent at that moment on checking the machine's advance into the fence. He had not seen her jump in, but he realized that she must have performed this hazardous feat in the extremely brief interval that had intervened since his antagonists had lurched out of the car.

By the time he had raised his manacled hands to help her the girl had already brought the automobile back on the road. Then he let his hands drop on his knees as he noted the skillful manner in which she manipulated the levers and sent the car skimming along at a speed that quickly placed them beyond hearing of the frantic commands of the constable. For a quarter of a mile Williams and his assistants kept up the hopeless pursuit. Then a bend in the road hid them from sight, and King saw them no more.

"And you let me think I was giving you your first lessons," said King, speaking for the first time.

The girl deftly brought the machine to half speed before she replied, and then she did not answer his implied question. "We ought to reach South Johnsville in fifteen or twenty minutes," she announced. "Whose house there shall I take you to?"

"Oh, look here," exclaimed the young man, all at once realizing his position, "I can't let you get into trouble on my account. Isn't there some blacksmith nearby where I can have these things filed off?"

"No; it was my fault," she asserted.

"I got you into this scrape, and I'm going to see you through. You needn't worry about me. My aunt, Mrs. Applewaite, lives in South Johnsville, and she'll see that I get back home all right."

"Mrs. Applewaite, did you say?"

"Yes," responded the girl without meeting his gaze. "Do you know her?"

"Know her!" cried King excitedly.

"I should say I do. Why, it's her house I was bound for. Her son, Joe Applewaite, is one of my best friends, and I'm going there to stay over Sunday. Say," he went on joyfully, leaning forward the better to see her face—"say, you aren't Emily Verone, are you? For if you are we're as good as old friends already. I've heard Joe talk about you and your family ever since I knew him. In fact, the chance of seeing you was one of the inducements he offered in connection with this visit."

"Of course I'm Emily Verone," she replied. "Do you mean to say Joe never told you what I look like?"

"Dozens of times. But—well, he always spoke as if you were a little girl with pigtails, and, besides, he never half did you justice."

"You might have suspected something when I was so ready to ride with you. Girls don't generally accept such an invitation, you know, from any stranger that happens along. Why, I knew who you were the minute you said South Johnsville."

For a moment King could think of no defense. But his crestfallen expression and the incongruously helpless figure he made, sitting disheveled and handcuffed by her side, dispelled Miss Verone's swift April anger more effectually than anything he could have said.

Suddenly she laughed aloud. "Won't Aunt Margaret and Joe be surprised when I come honking up to their door with a captive in chains?"

"Yes," agreed King with restored cheerfulness. "They'll wonder why you thought chains necessary."

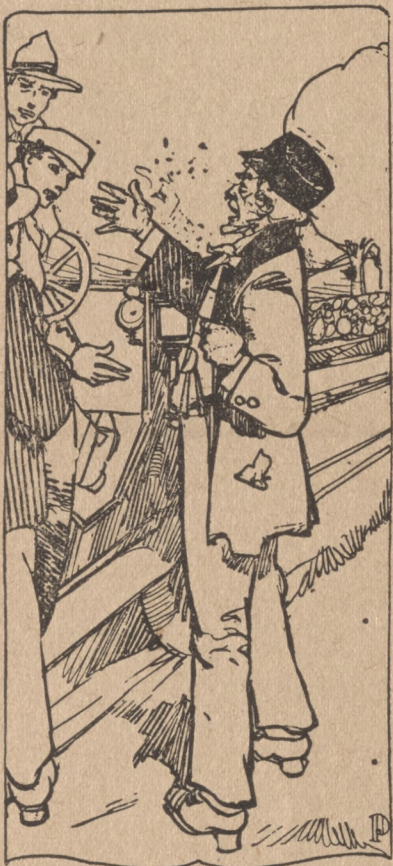
"Miss Verone regarded him severely. "A man in handcuffs shouldn't make speeches."

"Very well," he answered, unabashed. "I'll reserve the rest until we reach the Applewaites."

"The rest?"

"Yes. There are lots more things I might say. But haste isn't always wise, even for a man in an automobile."

"There is no reason why we shouldn't go faster," said Miss Verone as she reached for the speed control.



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expect. "But I'm getting all dusty. Will you wait until I run up to the house and get a coat?"

"I'd wait—forever," asserted King. Suddenly he felt a heavy hand on his shoulder and a triumphant shout in his ear:

"Quick, boys! I've got him! Here, you young squirt—no use tryin' to git away from me!"

King made a hard fight and with superhuman effort got the better of his opponent. Re-enforcements, however, deprived him of his advantage, for two brawny young farmers, arriving on the run, tore his grip loose, and Zeb, stepping to the ground and throwing back his coat to reveal a shining metal badge attached to his left suspender, announced:

"I hereby arrest ye in the name of the law for exceedin' the speed limit."

"Thought ye'd show off before the squire's darter, didn't ye?" taunted one of the youths who had rescued the constable. "When her pap comes back ye'll have a chance to tell him all about it. He's justice of the peace, he is, and he's death on city scorchers."

"The squire won't be ter home till tomorrow," announced Zeb Williams. "But, with the help of these here bracelets, I guess we kin take good care of ye. Hey, boys?"

As he spoke he drew from his pocket a huge pair of antiquated iron handcuffs.

"Oh, see here," protested King, "you don't have to do that. I'm ready to pay my fine, but you have no right to put me in handcuffs."

"Guess I haven't been constable of this town for twenty years without knowin' my rights," retorted Williams. "Hold him tight, boys."

Compared with the struggle that then ensued the previous bout between King and the constable was a mere sparring match, for as Williams advanced with the handcuffs extended King glimpsed a slim figure in a long gray coat emerging from the house, and the thought of appearing ridiculous in her eyes lent him the strength of two. But his assailants were three and plow and shovel had made their muscles as hard as iron as supple as the hat and racket and oar had ren-

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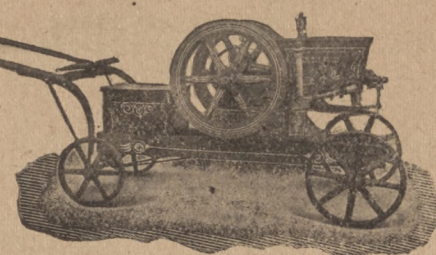
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Editing a newspaper is not what it is cracked up to be. Truth must be presented in the form of generalities or some fellow will get hit and howl. This is not infrequent, and harsh criticism is often the editor's reward for diligent effort to give the people the news of the day. No one ever thinks of giving a newspaper credit for what it does not say. Yet what it keeps to itself constitutes the greater part of what it does know about others.

Very many people harbor the belief that newspapers are eager to publish derogatory things. This is a mistake. There isn't a newspaper that could not spring a sensation in the community in which it is published at any time by merely telling what it knows. How many good stories are suppressed because of innocent relatives and friends who would suffer, and for the public good, nobody outside of newspaper office has any idea of.

In some instances the man or woman who flies into a passion because of what some newspaper prints about him which he considers uncomplimentary has every reason to feel grateful to the newspaper for publishing so little of what it really does know about him. And very often the loudest bluffer is the most vulnerable to attack.

Newspapers put up with more bluffing than any other agency would endure. It is not because they lack courage; it is because they are unwilling to use their power to destroy or ruin unless the interests of society imperatively demand it.

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A DINOSAUR SKELETON WITH SKIN, 3,000,000 YEARS OLD.

Nearly complete skeletons of duck-billed dinosaurs have been found, some with fragments of the epidermis also preserved. Not long ago two were mounted in the American Museum which appeared in the Scientific American for April 11th, 1908.

A third specimen, incased in nearly complete epidermis, has just been added to the collection, thus completing our knowledge of these interesting creatures, so that few, if any, of the extremely ancient prehistoric animals are at present as well known as the members of the family Trachodontidae.

These creatures in slightly modified forms are found in the rocks of several geological formations, covering a long period of the earth's history, but all became extinct at the close of the Laramie Cretaceous period, conservatively estimated to be three millions of years ago. They were not exclusively American, for a few representatives have been found in rocks of the Wealden age in England and Hungary. But they reached their maximum development in America, where they were widely distributed over the eastern and western United States and southwestern Canada.

Plants remains, leaves, fruits, and wood are sometimes found with the fossilized bones, and by comparing them with modern plants, we are able to determine with considerable accuracy the climatic conditions of the past geologic age. Palm leaves, fig fruits, and banana leaves have been found with Trachodonts in Montana, which show that the climate of the United States, as far north as Canada, was warm temperate to sub-tropical at the close of the Cretaceous period.

The Trachodonts were aquatic dinosaurs, and spent most of their lives in fresh water lagoons, which were then abundant over the low interior lands. Their remains have also been found in sea deposits that were formed near the shores. It is not a difficult matter to picture one of these sylvan marshes of the Cretaceous period with stately palms bordering the lakes; the rapacious Tyrannosaurus, king of the flesh-eating dinosaurs, lurking among the trees to capture a meal; the Trachodonts disporting themselves out in deep water, their only safety from foes.

The numerous remains of these huge creatures that have been recovered attest their great numbers during life. A comparative study of their anatomy leaves little doubt that they were oviporous; that is, reproduced from eggs, which may well have been hatched in the warm sands bordering the shores.

They combine some anatomical characters of both lizards and crocodiles, but have no near living relatives and left no descendants. They were kangaroo shaped, with long hind legs and reduced fore legs and a long deep powerful swimming tail. The peculiar expanded beak, resembling a duck's bill, was covered by a horny mass, denticulate in form, which was undoubtedly used in gathering its vegetable food, the nature of which is still conjectural. The teeth, situated farther back in the jaws, are the most highly specialized of any known. There were about 1,000 altogether, massed in a solid pavement; that is, about 500 in each jaw, distributed in 45 to 60 vertical rows, according to age and species, with from 10 to 14 teeth in each row. The teeth have enamel on one side only, the inside of the lower and the outside of the upper jaw, so that the enamel edges on the opposing jaws passed across each other obliquely, like the blades of shears, and were used apparently to cut the food in sections.

There is reason to believe that this group of dinosaurs at least swallowed stones like birds, which aided in grinding their food.—Baron Broom in Scientific American.

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THE REAL NEED.

In negro households, especially in communities where negroes form a large portion of the population, it frequently happens that the woman is the head of the family, being not only the bread-winner, but also the disciplinarian, and in that capacity on occasions she regards her putative lord and master as subject to her will. This, at least, was the assumption of the colored woman who was a party to a little scene enacted in the office of a justice of the peace. A man had been arrested on the charge of beating and cruelly misusing his wife. After hearing the charge against the prisoner, the justice turned to the first witness. "Madam," he said, "if this man were your husband and had given you a beating, would you call in the police?" The woman addressed, a veritable Amazon in size and aggressiveness, turned a smiling countenance toward the justice and answered: "No, judge. If he was mah husband an' he treated me lak he did 'is wife, Ah wouldn't call no p'lice-man. No, sah, Ah'd call de undertaker."

HE PLAYED CRITIC.

Signor Leoncavallo, the composer, recounted an amusing experience that befell him in a theatre where he occupied a stall one evening to hear the performance of his "Pagliacci." At the finale a stranger sitting next him kept exclaiming enthusiastically: "What a masterpiece! What a perfect masterpiece!" Leoncavallo, imagining himself utterly unknown in this audience, thought it would be fine fun to play critic of his own work, so chimed in ironically. "A masterpiece? I don't in the least agree with you, sir. I'm a musician myself, so know what I'm talking about. The fact is this opera is a worthless production and brimful of imitations and plagiarisms. For instance, that cavatina is filched bodily from Berlioz, the duet in the first act is all Gounod, while the finale is a sorry copy of one you will find in Verdi." Next day Leoncavallo drove to the railway station and bought the leading local journal. On comfortably seating himself in the train he opened it and was agast with astonishment at encountering the following lines: "Signor Leoncavallo's opinion on 'Pagliacci.' Declaration of plagiarism. Confession of a composer bereft of all originality." The great Italian master added, "Evidently my neighbor was a journalist who had coddled me, but to this day I have cold shivers every time I recall the incident."

PRISON LIFE IN SWITZERLAND.

Prison life in Switzerland is a luxury instead of a punishment. The comic opera jail at Thorburg, where the inmates did as they pleased, has only recently been suppressed by the Berne authorities, yet details are published of a similar institution at Sarnen, in the canton of Oswald. Sarnen is apparently an ideal penal resort, for the happy criminals who are sentenced to term of "detention" in the institution have a far better time than hundreds of "free" Swiss citizens who are forced to earn their bread. A correspondent of a Lausanne paper states that he was passing through Sarnen when he saw a number of men, dressed in dark blue clothes with white stripes, walking about the village smoking and joking. Others were seated in a cafe, and some were working in a leisurely manner, carrying bricks for the construction of a new building. To his astonishment the correspondent found that the men were convicts from the cantonal prison close by. These convicts are permitted to leave the prison early in the morning and find work around Sarnen, or walk about the country until nightfall, when they return of their own accord to the prison. They are unaccompanied by warders, and there is nothing to prevent their escaping, but they are far too comfortable to think of relinquishing their quarters, for they have as much liberty as other men and are, moreover, fed and lodged for nothing. The money earned by those convicts who choose to work can be spent as they like. One convict, who is employed as a gardener by a local magistrate, sends his monthly salary to his wife and children. Two or three convicts "escaped" some weeks ago, but they eventually returned to the prison in a half famished condition, and after being severely reprimanded, they were allowed to return to their apartments.

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THE BLUE LINEN GOWN.

A Lost Bag and a Chase For the Owner.

By CLARISSA MACKIE.
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"Main floor—all out!" An elevator gate crashed open and sharp heel taps tapped across the tessellated floor, and a girl paused beside Fielding. He caught a glimpse of an exquisite profile under the drooping brim of a wide hat and a soft roll of dusky hair and a perfect figure gowned in blue linen. Then the girl flattered away and boarded a downtown car.

Fielding's eyes came back and discovered something lying at his feet. He picked it up just in time to save it from the snatching grasp of a ragged street lad.

"Me mother lost it," asserted the boy brazenly as he hovered near.

Fielding smiled as he looked at the dainty bag of blue linen and white leather, heavily stitched and bearing a small monogram in gold in one corner. He tossed a quarter to the boy and studied the monogram closely. The intertwined letters were A and E.

With sudden recollection that the girl was getting farther away from him every moment, he jumped on the next South ferry car, stuffing the bag in his coat pocket.

He had scarcely ridden two blocks when a northbound open car passed swiftly. He caught a glimpse of a blue linen gown and large hat before it whizzed from sight. In another instant he was on the ground and crossing the street to catch the following car.

He made it easily and with a degree of satisfaction, for he felt no doubt that the owner of the blue bag was on her way back to the Biggs building to search for her lost property.

Fielding leaped from the car and dashed across the street in spite of a policeman's warning hand.

She had turned and was walking through the lobby when he reached her



"OH, YES, INDEED, IT IS MINE."

side. He removed his hat and mopped his dripping face.

"I beg your pardon," he ventured to the crown of her big hat.

She stopped and turned a surprised face to his—not the exquisitely beautiful face he had hoped and expected to see, but the plain and intelligent countenance of his head stenographer, Miss Murphy.

"What is it, Mr. Fielding?" she asked, with surprise.

"I—I thought it was some one else," stammered her employer dazedly. "You see, I was looking for some one in a blue gown, and I thought you were she."

Miss Murphy looked suspiciously at his flushed countenance and noted his incoherent speech.

"Lots of girls are wearing these blue dresses," she reassured him; "most any one would have made the same mistake. Terribly hot, isn't it?" She bowed respectfully and caught an elevator going up.

Fielding stood in the doorway once more, hot and bewildered with his fruitless chase and angry with himself for having been so easily led astray by a blue gown and a large hat. Come to think of it, Miss Murphy's gown had lacked the peculiar attractiveness of that other, and her hat was a black one, while the one he sought was a soft white leghorn—not that Fielding knew a leghorn hat from a beaver or any other sort—he simply knew black from white.

He decided that there was a bare chance he might get a glimpse of the right girl if he once more invaded the lower downtown district. The owner of the blue bag must have missed it by this time, and every moment was only making his search for her more difficult. Of course he could advertise the bag, but that would be quite different from meeting the divinity herself and delivering the bag into her surprised and grateful hands!

Fielding forgot heat and hunger and weariness as he pursued his search for the blue gown. While he waited for a southbound car he caught a glimpse of a girl in a blue gown entering a

jewelry store close by. Her hat was white and flapping, and he could not see the color of her hair, but her figure was everything to be desired and admired.

It was the work of an instant to enter the store and cautiously survey this girl in the blue gown, when a pink and white baby face, surrounded by puffs and sausages of pale golden hair, confronted him haughtily. He hurriedly made exit and boarded the first car that came along, trying to forget the anxious eyed jeweler who had rushed to the door in his wake.

Block after block the car jerked its way down to the Battery, Fielding, hot and eager and feeling very much of a fool in his obstinate quest. His afternoon was quite spoiled. There would be no shore dinner at the yacht club, no pleasant run through the Jersey roads. When the car reached the terminus he would take the subway and make a dash for home and a tub and then search for a bite to eat, for he was ravenously hungry.

At the Battery the green park lured his tired eyes from the hot streets, and he strolled for a few moments, watching the crowds hurrying to and from the ferries, his glance alert for the wearer of a blue linen gown. His common sense told him that the flower-like face of the girl he sought would not be among these crowds, but rather uptown.

Just then he saw her—unmistakably the one he sought. She was entering the door of the aquarium, and Fielding—old New Yorker that he was—who had never been inside its doors, was quickly after her.

Quietly, unobtrusively, he followed her from case to case, now and then catching a glimpse of her sweet face and again seeing nothing save the brim of her pretty hat. At last in the upper gallery he stood close beside her while they watched the darting golden forms of tiny tropical fishes.

Apparently she had not noticed his presence until he spoke in a low voice, and then she started and flushed rosily.

"I hope you will pardon me," he was saying, hat in hand, "but didn't you drop this bag in front of the Biggs building this afternoon?" He drew the bag from his pocket and held it forth.

"Oh, yes, indeed. It is mine," she said, with a joyful little laugh. "I missed it after I had boarded my car, and as I didn't know just where I had lost it I concluded not to bother about it. It contained nothing but my cards. Thank you very much."

She turned away with a graceful little gesture that indicated the interview was at an end, and Fielding, mentally cursing himself for an idiot that he had not investigated the bag and at least discovered her name, moved slowly in the opposite direction.

Absorbed in these melancholy thoughts and with the excitement of his quest at an end, he was leaning over the rail, gazing moodily at the performing seals on the floor below, when he heard the sound of a familiar laugh and his name uttered.

"Jack! Where did you come from? I've been waiting hours at the office for you."

His sister Eleanor panted indignantly toward him, her eyes wide with surprise. "Where is Alice—I thought you didn't know her?"

"I don't know her—wherever she is," he said a bit crossly. "What's up, Nell, and why were you waiting for me at the office?"

"You know I've been expecting Alice Evans to visit me. Don't say you have forgotten, Jack Fielding! She came this morning, and where do you think the child wanted to go the first thing? Why, the aquarium, of all places, and I had never been here myself! So I told her we'd go down to your office and you would take us to luncheon, and then we three would go down to the aquarium together!"

"Exactly!" said Fielding impatiently. "Well, we went to the Biggs building, and we must have passed you when we went up in the elevator, for they said you'd just gone down, and as they didn't know whether you had gone for the day or not we decided to wait. Alice became tired after awhile and said she couldn't stand the heat another minute, so she agreed to come down to the Battery and wait for us. When an hour passed and you hadn't returned I just came on! Now, where is Alice and where did you meet her?"

"Did she have on a blue linen gown and is she—she—beautiful?" demanded Fielding eagerly. "Yes—to everything," said his sister, with a curious glance. "I always said when you saw her you'd fall down!" "She's here, then—see, yonder!"

Together they walked along the gallery, and then there was an exquisite moment for Fielding when Eleanor introduced the girl in the blue gown and her little gloved hand rested in his for a brief instant.

One day, long afterward, Jack Fielding told the girl in the blue gown how much he loved her.

"You see, dear," he concluded tenderly, "it must have been foreordained that we were to be more than ordinary acquaintances or I would never have been started on that mad chase in the hottest day of the year after your blue gown!"

"Very true," said Miss Evans demurely.

"And what are you going to tell me, dear?" he questioned anxiously.

A sweet smile curved her tender lips and her brown eyes sought his with the look that comes only once with its beautiful revelation—its gracious surrender.

"Now that you have found me," she whispered softly, "you must keep me forever."

Farm and Garden

NORTHERN GRAIN APHIS.

Michigan Authority Believes Its Bark Is Much Worse Than Its Bite.

Probably the most misleading insect on the grains if not on the farm is the common northern grain aphis. It collects during some seasons in great numbers on the heads of wheat, rye, barley, oats, sorghum and other near relatives of the grass family, sometimes fairly packing full the spaces in the heads of these plants and seeming to threaten their very existence. This gathering in great numbers usually occurs just as the grain is in the milk. In all the instances seen by the writer, R. H. Pettit of the Michigan experiment station, the threatened injury has been averted by tiny parasites, which have destroyed the plant lice and reduced the loss to a nominal one.

The northern grain aphis appears very much like other plant lice, both winged and wingless forms being found. The color is green with black markings. The illustration gives an idea of its appearance under a strong lens. Before the grain commences to ripen the parasites usually commence to destroy the lice. These parasites



NORTHERN GRAIN APHIS, WINGED FEMALE. [From Michigan Agricultural college experiment station.]

are black for the most part and about one-tenth of an inch in length. They move about with a quick, nervous motion. They lay their eggs in the living bodies of the lice. The grubs or larvae from the eggs feed on the body contents of the living lice, and when full grown each spins a cocoon inside the skin of the dead louse, swelling it to a pear shape and changing the color to a brown or copper tint. After pupation occurs inside this cocoon the parasite cuts a neat circular door in the skin of the louse in order to get out.

The multiplication of the plant lice is rapid indeed, but that of the parasites is still more rapid, so that before the grain is killed the lice are for the most part destroyed. Of course this may not always occur, but so far the writer's experience with them has been that their bark is far worse than their bite.

Cultivating the Corn Crop.

The essential thing in corn cultivation is to keep the ground free from weeds and covered with a soil mulch. The results of fifty-six different tests at seventeen different agricultural experiment stations show an average increase of 42 per cent resulting from shallow cultivation as compared with deep cultivation. In moist years cultivation is of less importance than in dry years.

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FOR THE THINKING FARMER.

Examine the crowns and roots of peach trees for borers. A mass of gum is an indication of the insects. They can be dug out with a knife and destroyed. A fine wire will also get them out.

When planting large, flat seeds set them in the ground edge-wise. Germination is more certain.

Two experiment stations—Kansas and Nebraska—have had satisfactory results from seeding a mixture of alfalfa and brome grass for permanent pastures. The presence of the brome grass so reduces the danger from bloat that the value of alfalfa pastures becomes available.

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New land will always raise a crop, but it takes care and labor to keep old fields productive.

The man who plows with a purpose will always beat the man who spurs without planning.

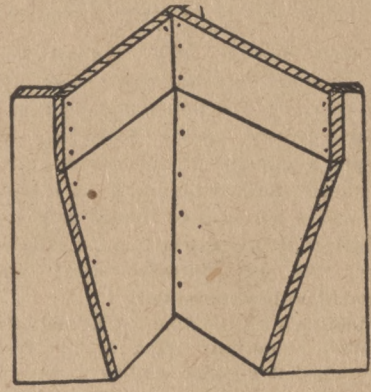
Every farmer should do all he can to make farm life attractive for his children so they will not desire to leave the farm.

Some farmers are too busy in their cornfields to stop and read the papers and miss the item telling how to double the crop. A better way is to rest and read an hour at noon. Such time is never lost.

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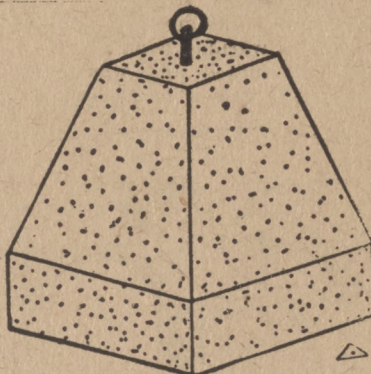
The mold shown at left of drawing is made of boards by cutting six uprights to conform to the outside of the post, of which a good size is to have the base or square bottom six inches high and eighteen inches square. The slop-



MOLD FOR CONCRETE HITCHING POST. [From Farm and Ranch.]

ing sides are twenty-four inches high and slant, so that the top is but six inches or eight inches square. This is done by cutting boards of the correct shape and size for base and slanting sides and then nailing them to the uprights so as to make the mold in two sections, each section alike. Just one-half of mold or one section is shown in the illustration. The opposite section is placed beside this, and the two are held together with hooks and eyelets while molding the work.

The ring is easily made by any blacksmith and has a rod to extend into the body of post about eight inches and with the end bent so it will not pull out easily. This is placed in the mold before filling in the concrete and thus is firmly imbedded in same. The mold is removed by turning the work upright or upon its base, as it is to stand, and then simply unhooking the hooks, when the two sections can be easily re-



CONCRETE HITCHING POST. [From Farm and Ranch.]

moved. The top is molded by placing the mold on a plank into which a hole has been cut, so that the ring and rod to project from top of post will set into same, thus molding the top neatly and bringing the trowel finish upon the bottom of post.—Farm and Ranch.

SCIENCE ON THE FARM.

Enables the Farmer to Trade \$2 For \$9, Says a Scientist.

"Carrying Scientific Agriculture to the Farmer" was recently discussed by Dean H. L. Russell, University of Wisconsin. Scientific agriculture is permanent agriculture. The Chinese have a more fertile soil than ours because they have applied scientific agriculture. Holland produces thirty-three bushels of wheat per acre. We produce thirteen bushels.

Great interest could be aroused by convincing our people that there is an undiscovered continent whose soil is as productive as ours. We will find that continent when we discover the methods by which our soils can be made to double their production. Our experiment stations have discovered the secret, but that will do no good until the tillers of the soil understand it. The publications of our stations must reach our people and be read by them. Information must be put in concrete form; it must be visualized. Three things are necessary in farming—first, improved seed; second, improved production; third, reduction of loss.

We are appointing county demonstrators who go into each county and employ the "show me" method of farming. Corn, wheat and other grains and crops are planted and the cultivation done before the farmer and his help.

The farmer may be prejudiced against new methods, but this opposition yields when he is shown the better way. Wisconsin was driven from raising wheat by the chinch bug, but this bug was a godsend to agriculture because the farmers went into the dairy business.

By growing wheat we increased our bank account and depleted our soils; by dairying we both increase our bank account and the fertility of our farms. The purchase of \$2 worth of phosphorus on a stock farm increased our crops \$9 worth. We are always willing to trade \$2 for \$9. There is a limited amount of phosphorus in our soils, and to keep up the phosphorus content we buy for \$10 as much phosphorus in the raw rock as we formerly got for \$25 in the treated goods. The tax which comes from apathy, indifference and ignorance is the highest tax farmers pay.

To Kill Bull Thistles.

Bull thistles, common in pastures, cannot always be killed by mowing. Mowing tends to prevent maturity of seed. Cutting off the thistles just below the surface of the ground two or three times a year will effectually eradicate them.

Farm and Garden

CABBAGE DISEASES.

Susceptibility to Rot and Infection Due to Soil Conditions.

In a bulletin on "Cabbage Experiments and Culture" issued by the Maryland agricultural experiment station it is asserted that the susceptibility to rot and disease of cabbage growing on very rich, highly cultivated land seemed to be due more to something unsuitable in the soil rather than to the direct attacks of bacteria or fungi. During very rainy weather in the heat of summer young and apparently vigorous cabbage plants will wilt and die. If the weather is moderately dry and the soil loose and well cultivated, cabbage will grow vigorously and seemingly resist disease even if the soil is known to be infected with germs. It was noticed that a patch of cabbage planted on a piece of land that had been used to grow celery for several years grew very well until heavy rains began to fall in



PATCH OF CULTIVATED CABBAGE.

August. In the bright sunshine which followed the plants wilted and died. The crop was a failure except a portion of the lower corner, which was on a poor clay knob, and there a few good heads matured.

Due consideration was given to the fact of poor drainage and also to excessive amounts of water about the roots, to which might be attributed much of the failure. Still it seemed a plausible conjecture that there might be extraordinary amounts of soluble salts in the soil and that they would have a poisonous effect on the roots.

A piece of rather stiff clay land, one-eighth of an acre in size, that had been manured and planted to truck crops for many years and upon which cabbage had rotted badly the preceding year was again treated with ten tons per acre of rotted manure. This was plowed down and the land was prepared for the crop.

Plots were marked off and treated as follows:

- Plot 1—Complete fertilizer, 1,000 pounds per acre.
- Plot 2—Check, no fertilizer.
- Plot 3—Lime, sixty bushels per acre.
- Plot 4—Sulphate of potash, 300 pounds per acre.
- Plot 5—Muriate of potash, 300 pounds per acre.

It had been noticed in some other work under similar conditions that muriate of potash seemed to have the effect of promoting the vigor of the plants. Fifteen varieties of cabbage were planted across the plots, nine varieties of French and six of American origin. The plants were set June 23. They started off nicely and grew well until the first week of August, at which time there were incessant rains, followed by bright sunshine.

All the plants on all the plots wilted down and only a few recovered. Most of those wilted died in a short time with black rot. A few lingered on, but did not make satisfactory heads.

HINTS FOR BEEKEEPERS.

If you expect to get a crop of honey take good care of your bees.

Don't imagine that you know it all and cannot learn anything by reading a bee journal.

In the production of extracted honey give seven frames in the eight frame super and nine frames in the ten frame.

Don't put on your supers before the bees are ready for them, as you gain nothing by doing so, but only render it harder for the bees to keep up the necessary heat.

The necessity of having a neat and attractive label with the name and address of the producer on every package of honey put upon the market is well understood by the enterprising beekeeper.

The long top bar is better for use in old homemade hives, as the staple spaced frames require accurate inside dimensions.

Fruit culture cannot be carried on successfully without bees to effect fertilization through carrying pollen from one blossom to another.

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